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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In re

: Chapter 11

SEARS HOLDINGS CORPORATION, et al., :

: Case No. 18-23538 (RDD)

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DECLARATION OF SUNNY SINGH IN SUPPORT OF THE GOING CONCERN SALE TRANSACTION

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¹ The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, are as follows: Sears Holdings Corporation (0798); Kmart Holding Corporation (3116); Kmart Operations LLC (6546); Sears Operations LLC (4331); Sears, Roebuck and Co. (0680); ServiceLive Inc. (6774); SHC Licensed Business LLC (3718); A&E Factory Service, LLC (6695); A&E Home Delivery, LLC (0205); A&E Lawn & Garden, LLC (5028); A&E Signature Service, LLC (0204); FBA Holdings Inc. (6537); Innovel Solutions, Inc. (7180); Kmart Corporation (9500); MaxServ, Inc. (7626); Private Brands, Ltd. (4022); Sears Development Co. (6028); Sears Holdings Management Corporation (2148); Sears Home & Business Franchises, Inc. (6742); Sears Home Improvement Products, Inc. (8591); Sears Insurance Services, L.L.C. (7182); Sears Procurement Services, Inc. (2859); Sears Protection Company (1250); Sears Protection Company (PR) Inc. (4861); Sears Roebuck Acceptance Corp. (0535); Sears, Roebuck de Puerto Rico, Inc. (3626); SYW Relay LLC (1870); Wally Labs LLC (None); SHC Promotions LLC (9626); Big Beaver of Florida Development, LLC (None); California Builder Appliances, Inc. (6327); Florida Builder Appliances, Inc. (9133); KBL Holding Inc. (1295); KLC, Inc. (0839); Kmart of Michigan, Inc. (1696); Kmart of Washington LLC (8898); Kmart Stores of Illinois LLC (8897); Kmart Stores of Texas LLC (8915); MyGofer LLC (5531); Sears Brands Business Unit Corporation (4658); Sears Holdings Publishing Company, LLC. (5554); Sears Protection Company (Florida), L.L.C. (4239); SHC Desert Springs, LLC (None); SOE, Inc. (9616); StarWest, LLC (5379); STI Merchandising, Inc. (0188); Troy Coolidge No. 13, LLC (None); BlueLight.com, Inc. (7034); Sears Brands, L.L.C. (4664); Sears Buying Services, Inc. (6533); Kmart.com LLC (9022); Sears Brands Management Corporation (5365); and SRe Holding Corporation (4816). The location of the Debtors' corporate headquarters is 3333 Beverly Road, Hoffman Estates, Illinois 60179.

- I, Sunny Singh, declare and state as follows:
- 1. I am a partner at Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP, counsel to the Debtors in the above captioned chapter 11 cases.
- 2. I submit this declaration in support of the Debtors' going concern sale transaction with Transform Holdco LLC, as established by ESL Investments, Inc.
- 3. On November 19, 2018, the Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York entered the *Order Approving Global Bidding Procedures and Granting Related Relief* (the "Global Bidding Procedures Order") (ECF No. 816).²
- 4. Pursuant to the Global Bidding Procedures Order, the Debtors commenced an auction on January 14, 2019 (the "Auction") for the sale of the Global Assets. The Auction was closed at approximately 3:10 a.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) on January 17, 2019.
 - 5. Attached hereto are true and correct copies of:
 - i. The rules for the Auction (the "Auction Rules") as provided to each attendee, attached as Exhibit A;
 - ii. The transcripts from each day of the Auction (January 14, 2019, January 15, 2019, and January 16, 2019), attached as **Exhibit B**, **Exhibit C**, and **Exhibit D** respectively; and
 - iii. Copies of the attendance sheets from each day of the Auction, attached as **Exhibit E**.

² Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Global Bidding Procedures Order.

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Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

DATED this 1st day of February, 2019.

/s/ Sunny Singh
Sunny Singh

Exhibit A

Auction Rules

In re Sears Holdings Corporation, et al.¹ Ch. 11 Case No. 18-23538 (RDD)

Auction Rules

January 14, 2019

- 1. <u>Bidding Procedures Order and Auction Rules</u>. The Auction will be governed by the Bidding Procedures Order [Case No. 18-23538 ECF No. 816],² which is incorporated by reference herein, and these rules (the "**Auction Rules**"). In the event of an inconsistency between the Bidding Procedures Order and these Auction Rules, these Auction Rules shall govern.
- 2. <u>Agreement to Abide by Auction Rules</u>. It will be presumed that all Auction attendees have read and familiarized themselves with these Auction Rules. By signing the sign-in sheet to enter the Auction, all parties in attendance at the Auction agree that they will conduct themselves in accordance with these Auction Rules and the Bidding Procedures Order. Any party that does not agree to abide by these Auction Rules may not participate in or attend the Auction.
- 3. <u>Auction Room and Bidding</u>. The Auction will begin at 10:00 a.m. (Eastern Time) on January 14, 2019 in Conference Room 24 D/E (the "**Main Auction Room**"). All bids will be made and received in the Main Auction Room, on an open basis, and all bidders participating in an Auction will be entitled to be present for all bidding with the understanding that the true identity of each bidder will be fully disclosed to all other

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- bidders participating in the Auction and that all material terms of each bid will be fully disclosed throughout the Auction.
- 4. Who May Attend the Auction. Only bidders and Consultation Parties are eligible to participate in the Auction, subject to other limitations as may be reasonably imposed by the Debtors in accordance with the Global Bidding Procedures. Other parties or press are not permitted to attend the Auction. Every person present at the Auction shall wear name tags identifying such person's name and party affiliation.
- 5. <u>Auctions on the Record</u>. A court reporter will be present to transcribe the proceedings of the Auction and produce a written transcript of the statements made on the record at the Auction. The Auction proceedings shall be "on the record" unless the Debtors, in their sole discretion and in the exercise of their reasonable business judgment, determine that it is necessary to pause the proceedings, at which point the statements made amongst the parties at the Auction will be "off the record" until the Debtors announce that the Auction proceedings have resumed and are back "on the record."
- 6. <u>Collusion Prohibited</u>. Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §§ 156 and 157, bidders and their representatives may not communicate with one another, collude, or otherwise coordinate for purposes of participating in the Auction. Any party found to be in violation of this requirement will be referred to the Office of the United States Trustee for the Department of Justice and the Office of the United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York in accordance with applicable law. Each bidder participating in an Auction will be required to confirm in writing and on the record at an Auction that (i) it has not engaged in any collusion with respect to the submission of any bid or the Auction and (ii) its bid represents a binding, good faith, and bona fide offer to purchase the Assets identified in such bid if selected as the Successful Bidder.
- 7. <u>Confidentiality</u>. All parties attending the Auction must keep the proceedings and results of the Auction confidential until the Debtors have closed the Auction. Parties may of course speak with clients or parties necessary to place their bid or increase it. But parties shall notify all parties of the confidentiality restriction.
- 8. Auction Process. The Auction shall proceed as follows:
 - a. At the commencement of the Auction, the Debtors will review the Auction Rules. The Debtors will then ask whether any party wishes to submit a bid. Any bidder wishing to submit a bid shall do so on the record.
 - b. Any party that has been designated as a Qualified Bidder and wishes to submit a competing bid shall do so on the record, which may include the terms of any alternative that the Debtors are considering in comparison to any placed bid.
 - c. The Debtors may, in their sole discretion, and in the exercise of their reasonable business judgment, pause the Auction proceedings, go off the record, including to breakout rooms if they deem appropriate, to evaluate bids. The Debtors shall determine, in consultation with the Consultation Parties, whether any bid

- submitted is a higher or otherwise better than the leading bid and shall announce the same on the record.
- d. Only the Debtors' authorized representatives may deem a bid to be accepted as an overbid.
- e. The Debtors may, from time to time and in their sole discretion, provide any Bidder with comments or suggested terms for a bid, including, without limitation, contract term modifications.
- f. The Debtors will repeat this process until such time as the highest or otherwise best bid or alternative is determined in the business judgment of the Debtors, in consultation with the Consultation Parties. In evaluating a bid, the Debtors may consider, among other things, the amount of cash and other consideration to be paid or delivered, the liabilities to be assumed or otherwise satisfied, the speed and certainty of consummating a transaction, and any other factor set forth in the Global Bidding Procedures.
- 9. Modification or Supplementation of Auction Rules. In accordance with and subject to the terms and provisions of the Bidding Procedures Order, including paragraphs 19 and 47 and thereof, the Debtors shall have the right, in their reasonable business judgment, after consulting with the Consultation parties, in a manner consistent with their fiduciary duties and applicable law, to modify or supplement any part of these Auction Rules and the Bidding Procedures to promote the goals of the Auction and obtain the highest or best value for their assets or for any other valid business justification as determined by the Debtors in consultation with the Consultation Parties. Any such supplement or modification to these Auction Rules or the Bidding Procedures at the Auction shall be stated on the record and shall be as binding on all Auction attendees as these Auction Rules. Any party that does not agree to abide by such supplemental or modified rules may not participate in or attend the Auction.
- 10. Procedures for Increasing or Placing Deposits. To the extent applicable, bidders must be prepared to wire initial or additional funds to the designated escrow account if they intend to increase the cash purchase price in their bid(s) or place bids on additional assets at the Auction. The Debtors retain the discretion to allow parties to place (or prohibit parties from placing) additional bids on assets without increasing or placing initial deposit amounts. If the deposit falls below the deposit requirement set forth in the Bidding Procedures, such bidder shall increase or place its initial or additional deposit so as to bring it into compliance with the Bidding Procedures not later than one (1) business day following the Auction.
- 11. <u>Reservation of Rights</u>. Nothing in the Bidding Procedures Order, the Bidding Procedures, or these Auction Rules shall obligate the Debtors to consummate or pursue any transaction with respect to any bid.

Exhibit B

Auction Transcript January 14, 2019

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     Ann Miller (Cowen)
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     Kevin Dooley
     Aaron Miller
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     Jonah Peppiatt (Davis Polk/Citi)
     Michelle McGreal (Davis Polk)
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Page 7 1 SEARS HOLDINGS CORPORATION PROCEEDINGS MR. SCHROCK: Okay. Let's get started. Good morning. Good morning. Ray Schrock of Weil, Gotshal & Manges. We are the attorneys for 7 It is approximately 10:37 a.m., on January 14, 2019, and we are present at the offices of Weil, Gotshal & Manges in New York City. 10 This is an auction under Section 363 of the 11 bankruptcy code and the Sears Chapter 11 cases for the 12 sale of substantially all of the Debtors assets in 13 accordance with the global bidding procedures approved 14 by the bankruptcy court on November 19th, 2018, which 15 can be found in ECF No. 816. 16 A copy of the Global bidding procedure is 17 available in hard copy for anyone who would like one, 18 and, of course, you know to go to the claims agent's 19 website and grab one. 20 With me this morning is Mohsin Meghji of M-III, 21 the chief restructuring officer of Sears. We also have 22 from the office of the CEO, Rob Ricker, Brandon 23 Aebersold of Lazard, the company's investment banker, 24 as well as numerous others from the Debtors' advisory 25 team and management team. The Debtors' restructuring

- committee is not present on site, but they are
- available by phone. We have already been speaking with
- 4 them this morning. They're available to participate in
- 5 person if and when needed.
- On behalf of the Debtors, management,
- ⁷ professionals, and the employees of Sears, I want to
- 8 welcome everyone to the auction, which has officially
- 9 commenced.
- We are presently in conference room 24 D and E,
- which is the main auction room where the Debtors will
- be conducting the auction today. This auction will be
- governed by the auction rules that were distributed
- upon entry into the auction. We presume that everyone
- has had a chance to review the auction rules. If you
- have any questions at any time about the rules, please
- 17 let us know. Importantly, one of the most important
- auction rules, the Debtors can modify the rules at any
- time in consultation with the consultation parties in
- their reasonable discretion in order to maximize value.
- The global bidding procedures and auction rules
- distributed are hereby made part of the auction record
- and incorporated in reference into the auction record.
- We will assume everybody's familiarity with the global
- bidding procedures. In conducting the auction we are

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using certain terms defined in the global bidding

- procedures and the auction rules.
- 4 The Debtors maintained a sign-in sheet for
- 5 parties upon entering the building this morning. The
- sign-in sheet will be given to the court reporter and
- ⁷ shall be made as part of the official record of the
- 8 auction. As the sign-in sheet expressly stated, by
- ⁹ signing the sign-in sheet everyone here has agreed to
- abide by the global bidding procedures including the
- 11 auction rules.
- A very important auction rule is that all
- parties are agreeing to keep what happens at the
- auction and the results of the auction confidential
- until the time the Debtors officially conclude the
- auction on the record.
- I also want to remind everyone of another
- particularly important provision global bidding
- 19 procedures, which I just reiterated a moment ago, that
- the Debtors may after consultation with consultation
- 21 parties may make alterations to the global bidding
- procedures under the auction rules.
- The Debtors are here to obtain the highest or
- best bid, and therefore the conduct of this auction may
- be modified subject to the global bidding procedures

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To ensure a complete record of the auction, I

would ask that parties identify themselves each time

 5 they speak at the auction. There is one live

microphone in the main auction room. Speaking into

that mike is the sole manner in which bids may be

8 placed at the auction. This auction is being conducted

on the record and transcribed by a court reporter in

this main auction room.

11 It is important that only one person speak at a

time and speak loudly so that the court reporter can

accurately transcribe the auction.

I will not describe the plan for today's

auction. We will start with a recitation of events

16 from the status conference on January 8th to today's

auction, that ESL Investments will be permitted to put

their on the record. ESL is a qualifying bidder.

Next, we will allow any other competing bidders

 20 to put their bids on the record. If there are any, and

they've been qualified for this auction, I don't expect

that to be the case at this initial session, and then

we'll summarize in brief fashion the Debtors' wind down

recoveries of the company, which are among the

company's alternatives and against which ESL will be

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² competing today.

We will adjourn after that point and commence

 4 negotiations with ESL and any other relevant bidders.

And we will return to this room and announce on the

record if any bidder has approved a bid, or if any

bidder has been deemed a successful bid, or announce if

8 the Debtors have not selected any of the bids as

⁹ highest or best. But to be clear, the Debtors are not

making a determination at the initial point where bids

are placed on the record this morning as to which bid

is highest or best. We're going to adjourn the

auction, talk with parties, and make that determination

after consultation with consultation parties and the

restructuring committee, and we hope after further

16 negotiations with the ESL.

The record negotiations. So on Tuesday,

January 8th, the Debtors gave an update to the court

parties of interest at the status conference in open

court. The Debtors engaged with ESL immediately after

the status conference and coordinated with them so that

they could put their bid in and \$120 million deposit as

directed by the court.

The Debtors met with advisors to the creditors,

committee that afternoon as well.

1 SEARS HOLDINGS CORPORATION On Wednesday, January 9th ESL submitted their \$120 million deposit by 4:00 p.m., on January 9th, along with a bid package that included their equity commitment letter, but excluded certain other financing commitments. They did make us aware of this before the 4:00 p.m. deadline. Those financing commitments were later given to the company at 11:45 p.m. approximately that evening, and copies of all documents associated 10 with the bid were shared with the consultation parties. 11 For the court's direction, satisfying these 12 requirements permitted ESL to participate in this 13 The Debtors immediately reviewed the ESL's 14 proposed revised bid and put together a comprehensive 15 list of open issues. The Debtors also reported the 16 status of ESL's bid to the restructuring committee 17 Wednesday evening. ESL's bid had certain changes in 18 it, which they've highlighted in public pronouncements. 19 On Thursday, January 10th, overnight the 20 Debtors prepared a comprehensive list of open issues. 21 We reviewed the list of open issues with restructuring 22 committee on Thursday, January 10th, and also 23 communicated those issues with the UCC professionals 24 and other consultation parties. The Debtors largely 25 used Thursday to get themselves and major stakeholders

- organized around significant issues associated with
- 3 ESL's bid and requested that ESL and their
- 4 professionals come to Weil's offices on Friday morning
- at 10:00 a.m. to work through the open issues.
- Friday, January 11th, the Debtors went through
- 7 all of the open issues with ESL's professionals in
- 8 person during the day. We kept the UCC and other
- 9 consultation parties informed of their progress during
- that time, and the restructuring committee principles,
- certainly of who were present in Weil's office on that
- 12 day.
- The Debtors also met in person with UCC
- 14 professionals on Friday to hear the UCC's views on one
- proposed wind down analysis of what would bring in
- comparison to ESL's bid.
- There were not ESL's principles present for
- discussions that day, and we did not meet with ESL
- principles prior to the -- prior to the start of the
- auction.
- On Friday, January 11th, to continue ESL's
- 22 professionals informed us they thought it would be more
- 23 productive to work through the contract issues before
- engaging on economic issues. These went on Friday
- evening as well as Saturday during the day to engage

1 SEARS HOLDINGS CORPORATION with their client around those issues, and we were hoping to engage in advance of a Sunday meeting. The Debtors provided a markup to ESL's asset purchase agreement on Friday evening to reflect the limited areas where it appears that we had made progress. On Saturday, January 12th, the Debtors were prepared to meet with ESL's advisors in working through the contract issues. ESL chose to -- they were working 10 through issues on their side during the day, so we did 11 not engage. So we coordinated with ESL's professionals 12 to meet in person on Sunday, and we had agreed to meet 13 starting at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday morning to try to 14 close out issues, including all the Debtors' issues to which there had been no meaningful engagement to a 16 large degree since Friday. 17 The Debtors distributed a draft of the wind 18 down analysis to the creditors committee and then to 19 ESL on Saturday evening in advance of the Sunday 20 meeting. That was a draft form. There are certain 21 changes that are going to be on the record, or, 22 frankly, this part of the bid that we will put into the 23 record in just a few moments. 24

professionals that day to update them, and we're

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The Debtors had a call with committee

- basically in regular contact with ESL's professionals
- 3 throughout this period.
- On Sunday, yesterday, on the commencement of
- meetings the Debtors and two other restructuring
- 6 committee principles, Mr. Tranzere (phonetic) and
- Mr. Carr here in person others were available
- 8 telephonically. Late in the afternoon, ESL's advisors
- 9 provided feedback regarding certain noneconomic terms
- of the Debtors' markup and ESL's purchase agreement.
- We think that there was some progress made yesterday on
- some of the key terms.
- The Debtors received a markup to the financing
- section of the APA, but they did not receive any other
- 15 comments to the APA.
- At around 6:00 p.m. yesterday sales
- professionals informed the Debtors that after going
- through the wind down analysis they would likely would
- not be engaging with the Debtors until commencement of
- the auction on Monday, January 14th.
- The Debtors remain hopeful that they will have
- meaningful engagement on the open issues today. The
- Debtors have had calls with the UCC professionals to
- ²⁴ update them.
- Throughout the entire week, you know, we've

1 SEARS HOLDINGS CORPORATION been hopeful that we can make progress. And I want to note this for the record because the court requested that we did engage, you know, and try and clear up issues in advance here, and I respect -- listen, it's ESL's bid, and they have the ability to make changes or not make changes, but we are very hopeful that this forum today will allow us, upon adjournment, to make progress and to be able to save the company, and that 10 is -- it is very much our primary goal of the exercise 11 that we're going through today, and it's first and 12 foremost in the Debtors' restructuring committee's 13 minds. 14 Now, the Debtor -- the company has determined 15 not to have real estate bids come to the auction, 16 because the Debtors did not view that there was a path 17 for individual real estate bids could be competitive 18 with an overall ESL bid. And consistent with prior 19 discussions with their interested stakeholders and the 20 court, if the Debtors were not going to pursue an ESL 21 bid, they will hold a subsequent auction or auctions, 22 where any individual real estates assets or smaller 23 assets will be auctioned off for sale or the Debtors

would otherwise pursue a different alternative as part

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of a Chapter 11 plan.

1 SEARS HOLDINGS CORPORATION Just one final note, and subject to anyone correcting me, there's -- I do not believe there's been any meaningful engagement with ESL and the restructuring subcommittee by counsel for the restructuring subcommittees. Here they didn't correct me, so I don't think there's been any meaningful engagement, the subcommittees or the restructuring subcommittee prior to -- from the time of the chambers 10 conference to now. 11 So with that, I now invite ESL to come and put 12 their bid on the record, and if you can, give a copy of 13 the documents to the court reporter, and then I'll put 14 the company's wind down analysis on the record. 15 (Whereupon Exhibit 1 marked for the 16 record.) 17 MR. O'NEAL: Good morning. Sean O'Neal, Cleary 18 Gottlieb, here on behalf of ESL. As Mr. Schrock noted, 19 our bid, the ESL bid, was submitted on January 9th. 20 That bid package included a bid letter, revised APA, an 21 equity commitment letter, a second-lien credit bid, and 22 direction letter. That was submitted by e-mail at 23 approximately 4:00 p.m. on January 9th. 24 That bid package was followed by an additional 25 package, which included a revised real estate

- commitment letter, a Cyrus exit financing letter, an
- ABL commitment letter, and redacted fee letter at
- approximately 11:45 p.m. on January 9th.
- In addition, the bid letter itself, or a
- summary of the bid letter, was filed with the SCC as a
- ⁷ 13(d) amendment.
- 8 The January 9th bid is incorporated by
- ⁹ reference herein as set forth in these auction
- 10 proceedings.
- In summary, as most of you likely know, the ESL
- bid provides aggregate consideration of approximately
- \$5 billion. Of that, there are a few components of it,
- and I will go through just a few of those.
- There's an \$850 million ABL financing from
- three leading banking institutions to pay off the ABL
- debt. There's \$175 million in new real estate
- financing from Cyrus and ESL. There is an roll-up \$230
- million or up to \$230 million in junior DIP financing,
- as well the roll-up of \$271 million in an LC facility.
- In addition, there is a credit bid of \$1.3
- billion. That credit bid includes \$231 million for the
- IP ground lease facility; \$544 million for the Dove
- real estate facility; \$125 million for the Filo
- facility, and \$433 million for a second-lien debt.

1 SEARS HOLDINGS CORPORATION In addition, the bid provides for the buyout of approximately or more than \$200 million in senior debt claim that are owned by non ESL parties. In total, there is an assumption of approximately \$1.7 billion of liabilities. reflects an increase of \$600 million in the assumption of liabilities from the December 28th bid. These new assumed liabilities, besides the assumption of purchase 10 agreement liabilities -- I'm sorry -- protection 11 agreement liabilities that were set forth in the 12 December 28th bid, included the assumption of severance 13 and 503(b) claims and certain tax liabilities among 14 others. 15 In addition, the January 9th bid includes 16 \$35 million in cash, which together with the assumption 17 of more than \$600 million in liabilities constitutes 18 consideration for the proposed release in connection 19 with the credit bid. The release would provide release 20 of the buyer-related parties as set forth in the 21 January 9th bid. 22 Over the past few days following the status 23 conference, we have met extensively with the Debtors' advisors and their principles. Those discussions have 24 25 been fruitful, but we have not always agreed, and we

1 SEARS HOLDINGS CORPORATION continue to disagree on various aspects of their perspective. We appreciate their time and effort, but we have not reached a conclusion on all of the issues, and we look forward to trying to do that at today's auction. I will say that during the weekend, and particularly on Friday and Sunday, we did spend a lot of time with the Weil Gotshal team focusing on the 10 contract issues to try clear out the underbrush so we 11 could then get to a discussion on the economic issues. 12 Those economic issues, as you would expect, were 13 largely informed by the wind down analysis or the 14 liquidation analysis, whatever you will call it, which we received at 10:00 p.m. on Saturday evening, which --16 and then on Sunday we, obviously, immediately began 17 reviewing that and had numerous discussions with the 18 Debtors concerning that. 19 In the interest of moving things forward, we do 20 have some proposed revisions to the APA that were the 21 result of extensive discussions that we had with Weil 22 over the weekend. I will summarize those revisions, 23 and then I will provide to the court reporter a draft 24 of the APA as it now stands, and then we will certainly

deliver it to the Debtors to the extent that they do

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² not have it.

Just in sum, and at a high level, the

improvements that we are making to the APA include the

following: We have accepted the Debtors requested

 5 deletion of the Debt financing condition. We have

accepted the forfeiture of the deposit for financing

8 failure. We have accepted the Debtors proposed changes

⁹ to the material adverse effect definition, and we have

10 made accommodation on significant seller changes or

seller-requested changes with respect to the marketing

period and the required information.

In addition, we have accepted most of the

seller's requests with respect to seller closing

 15 deliverable, and we have agreed to the seller's

construct to removing the final order condition to the

approval order provisions subject to the ABL lenders

doing the same.

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With respect to assumed liabilities, we have

accepted the assumption of liabilities related to

environmental law. This is on top of our agreement as

 22 part of the January 9th bid to assume all cure costs at

23 an uncapped amount.

24 And then finally we -- actually not finally --

we've also reduced the scope of representations and

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- warranties and scheduling burdens, including with
- respect to material contracts, IP, SEC reports, and
- 4 sufficiency of assets.
- With respect to employees, we have confirmed
- our intent to employee go forward population of
- ⁷ approximately 45,000 employees. We have accepted
- 8 seller's construct on employee benefits continuation
- 9 through the end of 2019. And I think that is -- those
- are the key changes, but as I noted, we do have a draft
- of the APA that we will provide to the court reporter.
- I think with that, that ends our presentation,
- and I thank Mr. Schrock for his time.
- MR. SCHROCK: Thanks, Sean. Sean, if you
- could, please, e-mail us a copy of that and we'll make
- sure -- just to make sure we have the right version,
- and then we'll send it to the consultation parties in
- accordance with the global bidding procedures.
- Okay. Let me give a short overview of the
- Debtors organized wind down plan, against, which the
- Debtors' restructuring committee is comparing the ESL
- ²² bid.
- First, I note that the Debtors' wind down
- recoveries has been shared with the consultation
- parties and ESL on a confidential basis. We did make a

- few changes to the wind down recoveries overnight. But
- largely, it's substantially similar to what people have
- been reviewing previously. The wind down plan
- 5 contemplates a company administered wind down to be run
- by the Debtors and the professionals and for purposes
- of comparison includes the Debtors liquidation
- 8 advisors, Abacus and also contemplates a partner with
- ⁹ SB 360.
- In particular, in conducting this organized
- wind down, the company would file a notice of
- commencement of liquidation of all inventory and the
- remaining retail stores and distribution centers with
- 14 GBO sales beginning later this month.
- Reject all remaining store and distribution
- center leases other than valuable leases, which will be
- monetized.
- Reject all remaining nonessential contracts,
- commence an appropriate reduction in the companies
- workforce in a staged and organized manner; sell or
- monetize all or remaining incumbered or unincumbered
- 22 assets including sales of individual businesses within
- 23 Sears, such as Sears Home Services and the Debtors'
- real estate assets.
- The Debtors restructuring committee views is

1 SEARS HOLDINGS CORPORATION that the wind down plan is conservative and does not contain outside potential that would be pursued on the company's alternatives. Those potential alternatives include in pursuit of a Chapter 11 plan involving the sale, or reorganization around Sears Home Service or certain other businesses, and the distribution of the Debtors' tax attributes to creditors. Although not part of the bid, the Debtors may 10 take into account any of the these factors and 11 consideration in terming which bid is highest or best. 12 The projection of asset values in the Debtors 13 wind down analysis is based upon certain bids received 14 to date, as well as updated appraisals that they have 15 received and the Debtors' projections and work on a 16 consolidated basis. They are comparing a whole company 17 bid at the moment. 18 In assessing the recoveries for the wind down, 19 the Debtors applied significant discounts on the values 20 on unincumbered real estate assets and leases. And the 21 Debtors did not include the values obtained from 22 indications of interests they have solicited during 23 this process, which were several hundred million

applied to the appraisals for real estate assets, and

dollars in value. Significant discounts were also

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- Jones, Lang, LaSalle provided updated appraisals to
- account for a liquidation-based sale.
- The wind down analysis does not assume any
- 5 recoveries for litigation or avoidance sanctions,
- 6 including any actions associated with cause of action
- against ESL because, among other things, those are
- issues that are the sole subject of discussion between
- ⁹ the restructuring subcommittee and ESL.
- The comparison does not include the outside
- discussed around Sears Home Services in those plans.
- 12 And in putting forth these wind down recoveries, the
- Debtors have attempted to take into account that these
- are the consultation parties including the creditor's
- committee, which has provided correspondence and
- 16 feedback to the Debtors on a pretty consistent basis
- over the last several days and before that.
- The creditors committee's projections do exceed
- what the projected recoveries the Debtors have put into
- the wind down recovery for comparison purposes.
- In terms of bid evaluation -- oh, so at this
- time I'm going to hand a copy of this to the court
- reporter, and I'm going to hand out or to the relevant
- parties in just a moment, but if you could mark this as
- 25 Exhibit 2. (Handing.)

Page 26 1 SEARS HOLDINGS CORPORATION (Whereupon Exhibit 2 was marked for the record.) MR. SCHROCK: On bid evaluation, the Debtors 5 have the right at the direction of the restructuring 6 committee and subcommittee as applicable in its sole discretion and after consultation with the consultation parties to determine which bid is the highest or otherwise best bid, and reject at any time as well any 10 bid Debtors deem to be inadequate or insufficient not 11 confirming with the requirements of the bankruptcy 12 code, bankruptcy rules, or the local rules, as well as 13 the global bidding procedures, or any order of the 14 bankruptcy court otherwise not in the best interest of 15 the Debtors and their estates. 16 In evaluating which bid is going to be higher 17 or better, the restructuring committee will take into 18 account the nonexclusive list of factors set forth in 19 the global bidding procedures along with any other 20 factor that the independent restructuring committee and 21 the restructuring subcommittee, respectively, deem 22 relevant in their discretion in exercising their 23 business judgment. 24 The restructuring committee and the restructuring subcommittee have not determined whether 25

- 2 the company's alternatives or ESL's bid is higher or
- better at this time, as I noted earlier. They're
- 4 hopeful that they will be able to negotiate with ESL
- 5 and make that determination today.
- With that, we will now go off the record to
- 7 speak with ESL as well as the consultation parties, and
- 8 try and resolve some of the differences and discuss how
- ⁹ we can come to an agreement with the consultation
- parties, or make a determination on which bid is
- 11 highest or best.
- When we return and resume the auction, we will
- announce for the record whether any changes have been
- made in the meantime to the bid or bids, or if any bid
- has been selected as a quote, unquote, successful bid.
- I believe that the counsel for the official
- unsecured creditors committee wants to say a few words
- before we break.
- MR. DIZENGOFF: Thanks, Ray. Good morning,
- everyone. Ira Dizengoff, Strauss, Hauer & Feld on
- 21 behalf of the Official Committee for Unsecured
- 22 Creditors. A couple of comments from the Creditors
- committee's perspective, because we're interested in
- transparency and openness, everyone knows what the
- concerns of the committee are.

1 SEARS HOLDINGS CORPORATION We have drafted and sent to the company two letters that analyze the January 9th bid of ESL, which we'll give to the court reporter and incorporate into In our mind those highlight the the record. deficiencies in the ESL bid. I won't go into laboring details about them, but I'll highlight some of the issues that the Creditor's committee has with the ESL bid, as well as some of the issues that we have with 10 Ray's wind down analysis as well. 11 So as it relates to the ESL deficiencies, there 12 is significant short-fall of administrative claims that 13 are covered by that bid. By our math, it's north of 14 \$300 million. We can go in to the details with ESL 15 representatives as we have done with the company's 16 representative. 17 In addition, the ESL bid is premised on a 18 credit bid, which the Creditor's committee believes is 19 inappropriate and improper in light of the substantial 20 and myriad claims that exist against ESL.

21 And third, there are improper leases in the ESL 22 proposal, and those releases go hand-in-hand with the 23 inability to credit bid. As the bid is premised on 24 consideration of \$35 million for broad releases for

25 We think that's inappropriate. ESL.

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1 SEARS HOLDINGS CORPORATION In addition, the ESL bid premised on buying assets that do not belong to the Debtor. Our view is it's impossible for a Debtor to buy assets -- a Debtor to sell assets that it does not own. In addition, the Creditor's committee has grave 7 concerns about the ability of ESL to provide adequate assurance of future performance. We understand that ESL has provided a business plan to the restructuring 10 committee. We've made a written request for that. 11 not received it to date. 12 In addition, the ESL bid is premised on 13 third-party consents that we do not believe are 14 possible to obtain. 15 In addition, we've raised concerns about the 16 conditionality of the closing items in connection with 17 that bid, as well as the milestones, as well as the 18 inability to pay 503(b)9 claims and other 19 administrative expense claims. 20 Those are just some of the highlights. 21 are all in more detail set forth in the letters, which 22 we've incorporated by reference. 23 As it relates to the wind down, which the 24 Debtors are analyzing, there are a couple material

differences between the creditors committee's view and

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1 SEARS HOLDINGS CORPORATION the view of the company, which we spent sometime talking to them about. In the wind down there is a 507(b) claim that is appropriately footnoted. The view of the creditors committee is that claim is zero and impossible to prove. In addition, there is a Delta between the view of the creditors committee as it relates to real estate and what the creditors committee view is on the low end 10 that's about \$300 million; on the high end it's about 11 \$600 million. 12 In addition, the waterfall and wind down is 13 devoid of litigation claims, which we value at several 14 hundred million dollars. And then there was a 15 last-minute change to the wind down about surcharging 16 ESL's debt when it's not the beneficiary of a 506(c) 17 waiver that changes the waterfall of that explanation. 18 We think it's appropriate to surcharge them. 19 A couple other things before I conclude that. 20 We've asked for the business plan. We repeat that 21 request again so we can make an evaluation about 22 adequate assurance issues. We've asked for sources in 23 use for the ESL bid. We have not received that to

referenced earlier about the financing condition in

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date, and we have not received the mark up that Sean

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1 SEARS HOLDINGS CORPORATION change. Those are the issues that creditors committee has. We look forward to talking to the Debtors and ESL as the day progresses. Thank you, Ray. MR. O'NEAL: Sean O'Neal, Cleary Gottlieb. Thank you, Ira. We will be -- we disagree with virtually everything you said though we love you dearly, and we will be sending you a business plan 10 right after this as well as the ABA. Thank you. 11 MR. SCHROCK: It's Ray Schrock for the Debtors. 12 Everybody's rights are reserved. So nobody else has to 13 continue to stand up and say that. 14 I do think it was -- we think the wind down 15 analyses between the committee and the Debtors are 16 largely consistent. We were happy with the limited 17 number of differences, frankly, that the Debtors have. 18 But at this time I think we'll go off the record, see 19 if we can make some progress, and hopefully get to a 20 good conclusion for the company and its stakeholders. 21 So with that, we'll go off the record. 22 (Whereupon Exhibits 3 and 4 marked for 23 the record.) 24 (Whereupon the proceedings recessed at 25 11:11 a.m.)

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10	proceedings taken on January 14th, 2019.
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13	of the parties to this action by blood or marriage; and
14	that I am in no way interested in the outcome of this
15	matter.
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17	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand
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ASSET PURCHASE AGREEMENT

THIS ASSET PURCHASE AGREEMENT (this "Agreement") is made as of [●] (the "Effective Date"), by and between Transform Holdco LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company (together with any applicable Affiliated Designee (as defined below), "Buyer"), and Sears Holdings Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("SHC" or the "Seller" and together with each of its Subsidiaries party hereto, the "Sellers").

RECITALS

WHEREAS, among other things, Sellers own and operate, through direct and indirect Subsidiaries:

- (a) a national network of retail stores and pharmacies under the "Sears" and "Kmart" brands as conducted at the <u>Operating Owned Properties and the Operating Leased</u> Properties (as defined below) and the supporting general and administrative functions related to such retail stores;
- (b) a national network of specialty stores, including under the "Sears Auto Centers" brand;
- (c) a business that provides various home services solutions, including product repair, repair parts and accessories under the "PartsDirect" brand, home improvement project services, franchise services in the residential home service sector, repair services under the "ServiceLive" brand or the "Sears Home Services" brand and home solution technology under the "Wally" brand;
- (d) the KCD Notes (as defined below) and the business of designing, researching, developing, testing, having made, procuring the manufacture of, packaging, selling, marketing and distributing products and services under the Kenmore Marks and the DieHard Marks and licensing the Kenmore Marks and the DieHard Marks to third parties (the "Kenmore/DieHard Business");
- (e) a business that distributes and sells appliances under the "Monark Premium Appliance Co." brand;
- (f) a business that provides home delivery and retail installation services, including for third party customers, freight management, truck-load solutions, warehousing and final-mile delivery services;
 - (g) various websites under the sears.com and kmart.com banners; and
- (h) a membership program for Sellers' members, including that offered under the "Shop Your Way" brand,

(collectively, each of (a) through (h) above, but excluding the GOB Stores and the "Business" as defined in the SHIP Purchase Agreement (as defined below), the "Business"); 1

WHEREAS, on October 15, 2018, (the "Petition Date") (or, with respect to certain Sellers as applicable, following the Petition Date), Sellers filed voluntary petitions for relief (the "Filing") commencing a cases under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code (the "Bankruptcy Cases") in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the "Bankruptcy Court");

WHEREAS, Sellers desire to sell to Buyer (or, in accordance with the terms set forth herein, an applicable Assignee (as defined below)) the Designation Rights (as defined below) and Acquired Assets (as defined below) and to transfer to Buyer the Assumed Liabilities (as defined below) and Buyer desires to purchase from Sellers the Designation Rights and Acquired Assets and to assume from Seller the Assumed Liabilities, in each case on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this Agreement;

WHEREAS, the Parties (as defined below) desire to consummate the proposed transactions as promptly as practicable after the Bankruptcy Court enters the Approval Order (as defined below), subject to the terms of this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Parties desire and intend that the transactions set forth in this Agreement, together with the Bankruptcy Plan (as defined below), will, unless Buyer elects otherwise pursuant to this Agreement, (i) constitute one or more plans of reorganization under section 368(a) of the Code (as defined below) and as qualifying as one or more reorganizations thereunder, except if and to the extent Buyer determines otherwise with respect to a particular Seller, and (ii) satisfy the ownership requirements set forth in section 382(l)(5)(A)(ii) of the Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and the mutual promises herein made, and in consideration of the representations, warranties and covenants herein contained, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which are hereby acknowledged and intending to be legally bound hereby, the Parties agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

DEFINITIONS

Section 1.1 <u>Definitions</u>. For purposes of this Agreement, the following terms have the meanings specified or referenced below.

"401(k) Plan" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.7(b).

Note to Buyer: The reference to "GOB Stores" has been removed as any real estate not being acquired under this Agreement is excluded by the use of "Properties" in (a) above.

- "ABL Commitment Letter" shall mean the commitment letter (including all annexes, exhibits, schedules and other attachments thereto) among Buyer, Bank of America, N.A., Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, Citigroup Global Markets, Inc. and Royal Bank of Canada, dated as of the date hereof, as amended, supplemented or replaced in compliance with the terms hereof and thereof.
- "ABL Financing" shall mean the financing incurred or intended to be incurred pursuant to the ABL Commitment Letter, including the borrowing of loans contemplated by the ABL Commitment Letter.
- "ABL Financing Sources" shall mean the Financing Sources specified in clause (z) of the definition of "Financing Sources".
 - "Acquired Assets" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1.
 - "Acquired Data" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(g).
- "Acquired Equipment" shall mean, with respect to any Acquired Property, all Equipment to the extent located at or on the applicable Acquired Lease Premises or Owned Real Property. 42
 - "Acquired Foreign Assets" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.13(a).
- "Acquired Improvements" shall mean, with respect to any Acquired Property, all Improvements located on or comprising the applicable Acquired Lease Premises or Owned Real Property.
 - "Acquired Intellectual Property" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(e).
- "Acquired Inventory" shall mean (i) with respect to any Operating Leased Premises Property, all Inventory which is located at or on the applicable Operating Lease Premises Property as of the Closing Date, (ii) with respect to any Operating Owned Real Property, all Inventory which is located at or on the Operating Owned Real Property as of the Closing Date, (iii) with respect to any IP/Ground Lease Property, all Inventory which is located at or on the IP/Ground Lease Property as of the Closing Date and (iv) all other Inventory Related to the Business other than Inventory included in clause (ii) of the definition of Excluded Inventory.
- "Acquired Lease" shall mean each Lease that is assumed by any Seller and assigned to Buyer pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.

⁴²_Note to Draft: To be discussed if there is Equipment located at sites other than the Acquired Lease Premises or Owned Real Property proposed to be acquired.

"Acquired Lease Premises" shall mean the Lease Premises which is the subject of an Acquired Lease.

"Acquired Lease Rights" shall mean, with respect to an Acquired Lease, all real property rights and all other rights and interests of the tenant thereunder, including all options to renew, purchase, expand or lease (including rights of first refusal, first negotiation and first offer), and all credit for the prepaid rent associated therewith and all Security Deposits made in respect of such and any Improvements thereon.

"Acquired Property" shall mean (i) each Lease Premises which is subject to an Acquired Lease and (ii) each Owned Real Property.

"Acquired Receivables" shall mean (i) all Credit Card Accounts Receivable, (ii) all Pharmacy Receivables, (iii) the Specified Receivables and (iv) the Warranty Receivables.

"Action" shall mean any Claim, action, complaint, suit, litigation, arbitration, appeal, petition, inquiry, hearing, Order, decree, legal proceeding, investigation or other legal dispute, whether civil, criminal, administrative or otherwise, at law or in equity, by or before any Governmental Authority.

"ADA" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of Law.

"Additional Contract" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.9.

"Affiliate" shall mean, with respect to any Person, any other Person directly or indirectly controlling, controlled by, or under common control with, such other Person. For purposes of this definition, "control" when used with respect to any Person means the power to direct the management and policies of such Person, directly or indirectly, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise, and the terms "controlling" and "controlled" have correlative meanings. Notwithstanding the foregoing, (i) each Seller and its respective Subsidiaries, on the one hand, shall not, for the purposes of this Agreement, be deemed to be an "Affiliate" of ESL or Buyer or any of their respective Affiliates (excluding each Seller and its respective Subsidiaries), on the other hand, and (ii) Buyer, ESL and their Affiliates (excluding each Seller and its respective Subsidiaries), on the one hand, shall not, for the purposes of this Agreement, be deemed to be an "Affiliate" of Sellers or any of their respective Subsidiaries, on the other hand; and Buyer and ESL shall be deemed to be Affiliates of each other.

"Affiliated Designee" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 13.6.

"Aggregate DIP Shortfall Amount" shall mean, as of the Closing Date, an amount equal to \$1,200,000,000 *less* the aggregate amounts required to be paid (net of any available cash) to fully satisfy the existing indebtedness of Sellers under both (i) the DIP Credit Agreement and (ii) the Junior DIP Term Loan Agreement.

"Agreement" shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

- "Agreement Assignment Notice" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.7(a)(ii).
- "Allocation Schedule" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.3(d) Section 9.3(e).
- "Alternative Financing" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 8.5.
- "Antitrust Actions" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 8.3(d).
- "Antitrust Division" shall mean the Antitrust Division of the United States Department of Justice.
- "Antitrust Laws" shall mean the Sherman Antitrust Act, the Clayton Antitrust Act of 1914, the HSR Act and all other federal, state and foreign statutes, rules, regulations, orders, decrees and other Laws and Orders that are designed or intended to prohibit, restrict or regulate actions having the purpose or effect of monopolization or restraint of trade or competition.
- "Approval Order" shall mean an Order approving the Transactions entered by the Bankruptcy Court in the Bankruptcy Cases substantially in the form of Exhibit A attached hereto.
 - "Arbitrator" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of Law.
- "Assigned Agreements" shall mean (i) the Citi Card Agreement, (ii) the Initial Assigned Agreements, (iii) the Designatable Leases, solely to the extent designated for assumption by the Sellers and assignment to Buyer by written notice from Buyer to Sellers delivered prior to the end of the Designation Rights Period, and (iv) such other Additional Contracts as Buyer elects to have assigned or assumed orand assigned to Buyer in accordance with this Agreement.
- "Assigned Plans and Permits" shall mean, with respect to any Acquired Assets, all Plans and Permits, if any, that are assignable pursuant to the applicable issuing Governmental Authority and are Related to such Acquired Asset.
- "Assignee" shall mean, as to any Acquired Lease, Buyer or any other Person designated by Buyer in the applicable Buyer Assumption Notice.
 - "Assignment Actions" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5.2(c).
 - "Assignment and Assumption of Lease" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5.2(b).
 - "Assignment Instruments" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5.2(c).
- "Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims" shall mean the all Liabilities set forth on Schedule

 1.1[6] against any of the Debtors arising under section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code.
- "Assumed Property Tax Liabilities" shall mean all Liabilities for Property Taxes payable with respect to any Acquired Property in an amount for Pre-Assignment Tax Periods, not to exceed \$135,000,000.

"Assumed Customer Credits" shall mean all Liabilities arising under, or relating to, (i) any existing customer loyalty program (e.g., points, rewards, discounts, etc.) of any of Sellers or community marketing undertaken by any of Sellers, including Shop Your Way, and (ii) any Liability in respect of any gift cards, gift certificates, merchandise credits, return credits, customer membership or customer loyalty discount programs, coupons, groupons or other similar credits or programs issued by, on behalf of or in relation to Sellers since January 1, 2018.

"Assumed Liabilities" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.3.

"Assumption Effective Date" shall mean, (i) with respect to the Initial Assigned Agreements, the Closing Date, (ii) with respect to the Designatable Leases, following the delivery of the applicable Buyer Assumption Notice, the earliest of (A) the deadline for objecting to assumption and assignment of such Contract or Lease, if no such objection is submitted and (B) the fifth (5th) Business Day following the date of resolution of any objection to assumption and assignment of such Contract or Lease, if any such objection is timely submitted and (iii) with respect to the Additional Contracts, the earliest of (A) the deadline for objecting to assumption and assignment of such Additional Contract or to proposed Cure Costs, if no such objection is submitted and (B) the fifth (5th) Business Day following the date of resolution of any objection to assumption and assignment of such Additional Contract or to proposed Cure Costs, if any such objection is timely submitted.

"Auction" shall mean the auction undertaken pursuant to the Bidding Procedures Order.

"Avoidance Actions" shall mean any and all claims for relief of Sellers under chapter 5 of the Bankruptcy Code, or state fraudulent conveyance, fraudulent transfer or other similar state laws.

"Bankruptcy Cases" shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"Bankruptcy Code" shall mean Title 11 of the United States Code, sections 101 et seq.

"Bankruptcy Court" shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"Bankruptcy Plan" shall mean the joint chapter 11 plan for the Sellers in the Bankruptcy Cases.

"Bidding Procedures Order" shall mean the Order approving the global bidding procedures entered by the Bankruptcy Court in the Bankruptcy Cases on November 19, 2018 (Docket No. 816).

"BMA Consent" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.14(g).

"Books and Records" shall mean, with respect to Sellers, all documents, instruments, records and other written or electronic materials in whatever form or media (including all hard and electronic copies, CAD files and all discs, tapes and other media-storage data and materials containing such information, and including originals, if available) in the possession or control of Sellers in connection with, or relating to any Acquired Assets, any related Assumed Liabilities, or

the operations of Sellers at any Acquired Property, or the operations of the shopping center in which such Acquired Property is located, including to the extent in Sellers' possession or control, all files, data, reports, surveys (ALTA and topographical), soil reports, title reports and title insurance policies (including copies of all underlying exception documents), physical inspection, engineering and asbestos reports, environmental tests, inspections and reports, insurance reports, schematic plans, site plans and drawings, mailing lists, supplier lists, customer lists, price lists, financial projections, marketing information and procedures, copies of Tax Returns to the extent related to the Acquired Assets, advertising and promotional materials, equipment records, warranty information, architects and engineers agreements, architectural and engineering plans and specifications, construction contracts, drawings, plans and specifications, records of operations, manuals of operations or business procedures and other similar procedures, including all policies and procedures for the protection of individual and consumer privacy (including all CAD files and all discs, tapes and other media-storage data containing such information). Without limiting the foregoing, with respect to any Acquired Property, the term "Books and Records" shall include, to the extent in the possession or control of a Seller, (a) the original file for the applicable Acquired Property, including the applicable Acquired Lease and any other related Assigned Agreements, which includes originals of the following: the fully executed Acquired Lease and any other related Assigned Agreements, together with all Exhibits, Schedules and Addenda thereto, and all amendments, modifications and supplements thereto; letter agreements; correspondence; renewal notices; estoppel certificates issued by any Seller or the landlord under any applicable Acquired Lease; estoppel certificates issued by any party under any applicable easement, operation and easement agreement, reciprocal easement agreement, declaration of covenants, conditions and restrictions or similar documents with respect to an Acquired Property (each, an "OEA"); accounting records; gross sales records to the extent reporting of gross sales is required pursuant to each such Acquired Lease; audit files (whether generated internally or by a third party); surveys of the Acquired Lease Premises or the common areas of the shopping center in which such Acquired Property is located with respect to compliance with Law; any OEA and all amendments, modifications and supplements thereto; the applicable Sellers' title insurance policy, together with legible copies of all exception documents; any agreements confirming the commencement date or other relevant dates in the Acquired Lease; recorded copies of any memorandum of lease; and lease abstracts, and (b) keys to such Acquired Property, security codes for such Acquired Property or any of such Acquired Property's building systems, any keys or security codes for parking and other common areas of any shopping centers in which such Acquired Property is located and any other document or information in the possession or control of any Seller useful or necessary to operate a retail store from the Acquired Lease Premises. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the term "Books and Records" shall not include (i) personnel files with respect to any Seller employees who are not Transferred Employees, (ii) any information as to Seller employees that is prohibited by Law from being delivered by Sellers to Buyer (including (1) employee medical information protected by the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, as amended, the ADA, the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993, as amended, or the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008, as amended, (2) any Employment Eligibility Verification on Form I-9 and (3) any employee background reports), provided that Sellers shall inform Buyer of the general nature of the materials being withheld and, upon Buyer's request and at Buyer's sole cost and expense, reasonably cooperate with Buyer to provide such materials, in whole or in

part, in a manner that would not result in the outcome described in this clause (ii), including by entering into additional agreements to the extent required to render the access to any personally identifiable information permissible under any applicable Law or contractual obligations, (iii) any non-disclosure or confidentiality, non-compete or non-solicitation agreements other than contemplated by Section 2.1(k) or Section 4.3(p) and (iv) the Retained Books and Records.

"Business" shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"Business Day" shall mean any day of the year, other than a Saturday or Sunday, on which national banking institutions in New York, New York are open to the public for conducting business and are not required or authorized by Law to remain closed.

"Business Employees" shall mean each employee set forth on Schedule 1.1(a) that is primarily engaged in providing services in connection with, or in support of, the Business, including in any commercial or corporate function, as determined by Seller in good faith in consultation with Buyer, which Schedule 1.1(a) shall be in a form acceptable provided to Buyer and by Sellers, each in their sole discretion, as agreed not later than ten (10) Business Days of following the date of this Agreement.

"Business Names" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of Intellectual Property.

"Buyer" shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

"Buyer Assumption Notice" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5.2(a).

"Buyer Occupancy Costs" shall mean (i) with respect to the GOB Leased Stores, all Occupancy Expenses that are incurred or apportioned solely for the period commencing on the first calendar day following the GOB Period and ending at the expiration of the Designation Rights Period and (ii) with respect to the Operating Leased Property, all Occupancy Expenses that are incurred or apportioned solely for the period commencing on the Closing Date and ending at the expiration of the Designation Rights Period.

"Buyer Party Release" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.13.

"Buyer Rejection Notice" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5.3(a).

"Buyer Related Party" shall mean (i) Buyer, (ii) ESL, (iii) the Cyrus Related Parties and (iv) any Person who is currently or formerly was a director, officer, employee, stockholder, member, limited partner, general partner, controlling person, manager, representative, attorney, agent or successors of Buyer, ESL or any of the Cyrus Related Parties.

"Buyer's Savings Plan" has the meaning given in Section 9.7(1)(i) Section 9.7(k)(i).

"Casualty / Condemnation Event" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 12.3(a).

"Challenge" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of Final Order.

"Citi Card Agreement" shall mean [•]. the Second Amended and Restated Program Agreement, dated as of October 3, 2018, by and among Sears, Roebuck and Co., Sears Brands Business Unit Corporation, the Other Sears Parties, and Citibank, N.A., as may be amended from time to time.

"Citi L/C Facility" shall mean that certain letters of credit facility granted pursuant to that certain Letter of Credit and Reimbursement Agreement, dated as of December 28, 2016 (as at any time amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified), by and among Sears Roebuck Acceptance CorporationCorp. and Kmart Corporation, as borrowers, Sears Holdings CorporationSHC, Citibank N.A. as administrative agent, and JPP LLC, JPP II LLC, Crescent 1, L.P., Canary SC Fund, L.P., CYR Fund, L.P., CMH VI, L.P., and Cyrus Heartland, L.P. as lendersthe financial institutions party thereto from time to time.

"Claims" shall mean all rights to payment, whether or not such right is reduced to judgment, liquidated, unliquidated, fixed, contingent, matured, unmatured, disputed, undisputed, legal, equitable, secured, or unsecured; or rights to an equitable remedy for breach of performance if such breach gives rise to a right to payment, whether or not such right to an equitable remedy is reduced to judgment, fixed, contingent, matured, unmatured, disputed, undisputed, secured, or unsecured, in each case, of whatever kind or description against any Person.

"Closing" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.1.

"Closing Date" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.1.

"Closing Legal Impediment" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 10.4.

"Closing Payment Amount" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.1(a).

"Code" shall mean the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

"Commitment Letters" shall mean, collectively, the Cyrus Commitment Letter, the Debt Commitment Letter, the Real Estate Financing Commitment Letter and the Equity Commitment Letter.

"Competing Transaction" shall mean any direct or indirect financing, refinancing, acquisition, sale, divestiture (including by merger, acquisition or other business combination), public offering, recapitalization, business combination or reorganization, whether in one transaction or a series of related transactions, of or involving or implicating all or any material part of the Designation Rights, the Properties, the Leases, the Acquired Assets, the Assumed Liabilities or any Business (other than any such transaction or series of related transactions with

² Note to Draft: Formal definition of Citi Card Agreement to come.

Buyer or any Affiliate thereof) or any standalone plan of reorganization or liquidation for any Seller that does not contemplate the consummation of the Transactions.

"Compliant" shall mean, with respect to the written Required Information that has been or will be made available to Buyer by the Sellers or any of their respective representatives on their behalf in connection with the Transactions, that (i) such Required Information, when taken as a whole, does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact regarding the Sellers or omit to state any material fact regarding the Sellers necessary in order to make such Required Information not materially misleading under the circumstances (after giving effect to all supplements and updates thereto from time to time) and (ii) the Sellers' auditors have not withdrawn any audit opinion with respect to any financial statements contained in the Required Information for which they have provided an opinion (unless, in the case of this clause (ii), a new audit opinion is issued with respect to the financial statements for the applicable periods by such auditors or any other independent public accounting firm of national standing or otherwise reasonably acceptable to Buyer).

"Confidential Information" shall mean, with respect to any Person, all information of a confidential or proprietary nature (whether or not specifically labeled or identified as "confidential"), in any form or medium, which relates to such Person or their respective business relations and its respective business activities. Confidential Information includes, but is not limited to, the following: (i) internal business information (including historical and projected financial information and budgets and information relating to strategic and staffing plans and practices, business, training, marketing, promotional and sales plans and practices, cost, rate and pricing structures and accounting and business methods); (ii) identities and individual requirements of, and specific contractual arrangements with, such Person's customers, clients, distributors, vendors, service providers, independent contractors, joint venture partners and other business relations and their confidential information; (iii) trade secrets; and (iv) other non-public Intellectual Property.

"Confidentiality Agreement" shall mean the Confidentiality Agreement, dated as of May 15, 2018, by and between ESL Investments, Inc. and Sears Holdings Corporation SHC.

"Consent" shall mean any consent, approval, concession, grant, waiver, exemption, license, entitlement, suitability determination, franchise, development right, certificate, variance, registration, permit, Order or other authorization of or notice of any Person.

"Contract" shall mean any contract, agreement, undertaking, lease, sublease, license, sublicense, sales order, purchase order or other instrument or commitment, whether written or oral (including commitments to enter into any of such) that purports to be binding on any Person or any part of its property (or subjects any such assets or property to an Encumbrance).

"Controlling Person" shall mean ESL Investments, Inc., its Affiliates and their respective directors and officers.

"Copyrights" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of Intellectual Property.

"Cost Value" [shall mean with respect to each item of merchandise in a SKU, the lower of the (i) unit cost for each item of merchandise in each such SKU and (ii) the Retail Price, as such amounts are calculated by Sellers in the normal course of business substantially in accordance with past practice prior to the Petition Date.]³

"CPA Firm" shall mean [•] or another national firm of independent public accountants as to which the Parties mutually agree.

"Credit Card Accounts Receivable" means each Account or Payment Intangible (each as defined in the UCC) together with all income, payments and proceeds thereof, owed by a credit card payment processor or an issuer of credit cards to a Seller resulting from charges by a customer of a Seller on credit cards processed by such processor or issued by such issuer in connection with the sale of goods by a Seller or services performed by a Seller, in each case in the ordinary course of its business.

"Credit Card Claims" means all claims arising from Seller's involvement as a class plaintiff in the class actions consolidated in the multi-district litigation In re Payment Card Interchange Fee and Merchant Discount Antitrust Litigation, No. 1:05-MD-01720 (E.D.N.Y.) against Visa Inc., Mastercard Inc., JPMorgan Chase & Co, Citigroup N.A., Bank of America N.A., and other defendants, alleging antitrust violations in relation to certain practices with respect to merchant processing fees and merchant processing agreements attributable to merchants that accepted Visa Inc. or Mastercard Inc. credit or debit cards beginning on January 1, 2004, and any proceeds thereof, including proceeds arising from any settlement with respect to the foregoing.

"Cure Costs" means all amounts payable in order to cure any monetary defaults required to be cured under section 365(b)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code or otherwise to effectuate, pursuant to the Bankruptcy Code, the assumption of the Assigned Agreements, whether as determined by the Bankruptcy Court or agreed to by the Sellers Buyer and the non-debtor counterparty to the applicable Assigned Agreement.

"Current Fiscal Year" shall mean, in relation to the Seller, the Seller's current fiscal beginning February 4, 2018.

"Customer Data" shall mean all data (including personal data and personally identifiable information) owned or controlled (meaning any data Sellers have the ability to transfer in compliance with applicable Law) by or on behalf of Sellers related to Sellers' customers, consumers or end users, including (i) customer, consumer and end user files and lists and contact information, (ii) purchasing, transaction and installation histories (namely, the product purchased, date of purchase, location of purchase, date of installation and whether a warranty was purchased), (iii) customer, consumer and end-user complaints and returns, (iv) customer,

Note to Sellers: As discussed, Cost Value definition to be revised to match SHC definition which tracks borrowing base definition.

consumer or end user opt-outs, unsubscribe or opt-ins requests in relation to the use or processing of their information, (v) all analytics relating to any of the foregoing and other customer-based analyses or reports and (vi) all loyalty program data and participation information (including all information and data with respect to Shop Your Way).

"Cyrus Commitment Letter" shall mean the commitment letter (including all annexes, exhibits, schedules and other attachments thereto) among Buyer, the Cyrus Lender, the Sponsor and Citigroup Global Markets, IneCitibank, N.A., dated as of the date hereof, as amended, supplemented or replaced in compliance with the terms hereof and thereof, pursuant to which the Cyrus Lender and, with respect to certain letters of credit, the Sponsor have agreed, subject only to the conditions set forth therein, to provide or cause to be provided the Cyrus Financing set forth therein for the purpose of funding the Transaction.

"Cyrus Financing" shall mean the debt financing incurred or intended to be incurred pursuant to the Cyrus Commitment Letter, including the borrowing of loans contemplated by the Cyrus Commitment Letter.

"Cyrus Lender" shall mean Cyrus Capital Partners, L.P.

"Cyrus Related Parties" shall mean the Cyrus Lender, its Affiliates and any of their respective directors, officers, or employees, in such capacities and in their individual capacities.

"Debt Commitment Letters" shall mean, collectively, the ABL eCommitment Letter (including all annexes, exhibits, schedules and other attachments thereto) among Buyer, Bank of America, N.A., Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, Citigroup Global Markets, Inc. and Royal Bank of Canada, dated as of the date hereof, as amended, supplemented or replaced in compliance with the terms hereof and thereof, pursuant to which the financial institutions party thereto have agreed, subject only to the conditions set forth therein, to provide or cause to be provided the Debt Financing set forth therein for the purpose of funding the Transaction, the Cyrus Commitment Letter and the Real Estate Financing Commitment Letter.

"Debt Financing" shall mean the debt financing incurred or intended to be incurred pursuant to the Debt Commitment Letter, including the borrowing of loans contemplated by the Debt Commitment Letter., collectively, the ABL Financing, the Cyrus Financing and the Real Estate Financing.

"Debt Financing Documents" means the agreements, documents and certificates contemplated by the Debt Financing, including (a) all credit agreements, loan documents, debentures, notes—and, pledge and security documents, guarantees, mortgages, intercreditor agreements and other related documents pursuant to which the Debt Financing will be governed or contemplated by the Debt Commitment Letters and (b) officer, secretary, solvency, closing and perfection certificates, legal opinions, corporate organizational documents, good standing certificates, Lien searches, and resolutions contemplated by the Debt Commitment Letters or requested by the Financing Sources.

"Deposit Amount" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.2.

"Designatable Lease" shall mean each of (i) those leases or lease agreements (including ground leases) identified on Schedule 1.1(b) (together with all amendments, modifications, supplements and renewals thereof), the GOB Leased Stores and the Operating Leased Properties and (ii) to the extent applicable to such leases and lease agreements, all non-disturbance agreements with fee owners or senior landlords, subordination, non-disturbance and attornment agreements, waivers and consents in favor of any Seller, estoppel certificates from landlords under any of the Leases (to the extent assignable), and landlord waivers or other collateral access agreements in favor of any Seller or any asset-based lenders.

"Designated Sale Transaction" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.12(b) Section 2.12(b).

"<u>Designated Tax Advisor</u>" shall mean Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP, or Deloitte [<u>Tax</u>] LLP, as decided in the Sellers' discretion, or if neither of the foregoing is able to deliver a Tax Opinion, Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP.

"Designation Assignment Agreement" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5.2(b).

"Designation Assignment Date" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5.2(d).

"Designation Deadline" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.9.

"Designation Rights" shall mean the exclusive right to irrevocably select, identify and designate each Designatable Lease in respect of which Assignee will acquire all of Sellers' right, title and interest in and to the applicable Designatable Lease, together with all of Sellers' right, title and interest in and to certain assets related to such Designatable Lease, to the extent, but only to the extent, set forth in Article II, all in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

"Designation Rights Period" shall mean, with respect to each Designatable Lease, the period commencing on the Closing Date and ending on the earliest of (Ai) five (5) Business Days after delivery of the applicable Buyer Rejection Notice, (Bii) the date on which an applicable agreement is assumed and assigned to an Assignee and (Ciii) the date which is sixty (60) days after the Closing Date and (iv) May 3, 2019.

"<u>DieHard Marks</u>" shall mean the name "DIEHARD" and any name consisting of, containing or incorporating "DIEHARD", and all designs and logos associated therewith in each case, together with all variations thereof; and all Trademarks, Business Names, Domain Names and Media Accounts consisting of, containing or incorporating any of the foregoing.

"<u>DIP Credit Agreement</u>" means that certain Superpriority Senior Secured Debtor-in-Possession Asset Based Credit Agreement, dated as of the-date-hereofNovember 29, 2018, among SHC, as holdings, Sears Roebuck Acceptance CorporationCorp, and Kmart Corporation, as borrowers, Bank of America, N.A., in its capacity as administrative agent and co-collateral

agent, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, in its capacity as co-collateral agent, and the lenders named therein, as in effect on the date hereof [Docket No. 955-1].

"Distribution Requirement" shall mean the requirement that each Seller (except if and to the extent (x) Buyer elects, in accordance with this Agreement, that the transactions set forth in this Agreement with respect to such Seller shall not be treated as a Tax Reorganization, or (y) if requested by such Seller, Designated Tax Advisor is unable to deliver a Tax Opinion that the transactions set forth in this Agreement with respect to such Seller may be treated as a Tax Reorganization) (i) shall distribute the Securities Consideration received by it to Persons qualifying as holders of "securities" of such Seller for purposes of section 354 of the Code, (ii) shall distribute all of the cash received pursuant to Section 3.1(a), as well as all of its other property pursuant to the Bankruptcy Plan, (iii) shall dissolve no later than the end of the third taxable year ending after the Closing Date, and (iv) during the period between the Closing Date and its dissolution, shall limit its activities to those which are merely for the purpose of liquidating its assets (which may include maintaining a going operation for the preservation of value, pending distribution or sale), winding up its affairs, resolving and paying its debts, and distributing any remaining assets (which may include a distribution to a non-corporate liquidating vehicle).

"Domain Names" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of Intellectual Property.

"Effect" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of "Material Adverse Effect."

"Effective Date" shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

"Employee Plan" shall mean each "employee benefit plan" (as such term is defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA), whether or not subject to ERISA, and each other employee benefit plan, program, policy, or arrangement (including each stock purchase, stock option, restricted stock or other equity-based, severance, retention, change-of-control, bonus, deferred compensation, fringe benefit and other similar benefit plan, program, policy, or arrangement), in each case, that provides any kind of compensation or benefits to Business Employees or former employees of the Business or their dependents or beneficiaries or with respect to which Seller would reasonably be expected to have any Liability in respect of the Business Employees.

"Employment Laws" shall mean all Laws (including the WARN Act), now or at the applicable time in effect and regulating, respecting, concerning or relating directly or indirectly to employees, independent contractors, labor relations, workers' compensation, unemployment compensation, foreign workers employed in the United States, wages and hours, safety, compensation, worker classification or other workplace or employment standards or practices.

"Encumbrance" shall mean all mortgages, pledges, hypothecations, charges, liens, interests, debentures, trust deeds, claims and encumbrances of any type whatsoever (whether known or unknown, secured or unsecured or in the nature of setoff or recoupment, choate or inchoate, filed or unfiled, scheduled or unscheduled, noticed or unnoticed, recorded or unrecorded, perfected or unperfected, allowed or disallowed, contingent or non-contingent,

liquidated or unliquidated, matured or unmatured, material or nonmaterial, disputed or undisputed, whether arising prior to or subsequent to the commencement of the Bankruptcy Cases, and whether imposed by agreement, understanding, Law, equity, or otherwise), including Claims, assignments by way of security or otherwise, security agreements and interests, conditional sales contracts or other title retention agreements, rights of first refusal, first negotiation or first offer, options to purchase or similar restrictions or obligations, instruments creating a security interest in the Acquired Assets or any part thereof or interest therein, and any agreements, leases, subleases, licenses, occupancy agreements, options, easements, rights of way, covenants, conditions, restrictions, declarations, defects in title, encroachments, exceptions or other encumbrances adversely affecting title to the Acquired Assets or any part thereof or interest therein.

"Environmental Laws" shall mean all applicable Laws relating to pollution or protection of human health or safety (to the extent related to exposure to Hazardous Substances) or the environment (including ambient air, water, surface water, groundwater, land surface, soil or subsurface) or natural resources, including applicable Laws relating to the generation, storage, transfer, transportation, investigation, cleanup, treatment, remediation, or use of, or release or threatened release into the environment of, any Hazardous Substances.

"Environmental Permits" shall mean all licenses, permits, variances, consents or certificates issued pursuant to Environmental Laws.

"Equipment" shall mean all machinery, equipment, appliances, supplies, furniture, fixtures, janitorial and cleaning equipment, partitions, desks, chairs, tables, telephone lines, cubicles, point-of-sale systems, graphics, branding, signs and signage (including any signs and signage on any buildings, pylons or monuments and any directional or other ground or off-premises signs and signage). For the avoidance of doubt, Improvements do not constitute Equipment.

"Equity Commitment Letter" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.4(a).

"Equity Financing" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.4(a).

"ERISA" shall mean the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended, and all Laws issued thereunder.

"ERISA Affiliate" shall mean, with respect to any entity, trade or business, any other entity, trade or business that is, or was at the relevant time, a member of a group described in Section 414(b), (c), (m) or (o) of the Code or Section 4001(b)(1) of ERISA that includes or included the first entity, trade or business, or that is, or was at the relevant time, a member of the same "controlled group" as the first entity, trade or business pursuant to Section 4001(a)(14) of ERISA.

"ESL" shall mean ESL Investments, Inc., JPP, LLC, JPP II, LLC, Eddie S. Lampert and any of their respective directors, officers, or employees, in such capacities and in their individual capacities.

"Excluded Assets" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.2.

"Excluded Asset-Reorganization Taxes" shall mean any and all (i) Taxes imposed on or with respect to the Excluded Assets or the Excluded Liabilities for any taxable period, other than any Tax imposed on or measured by income to the extent such Tax would have been reduced or eliminated had the Sellers' Tax attributes not transferred to Buyer (taking into account Tax attributes Sellers would have had if all transactions described in Article II were Designated Sale Transactions), (ii) Taxes imposed on or with respect to the Acquired Assets, the Acquired Properties, the Business or the Assumed Liabilities for any Pre-Assignment Tax Period (for the avoidance of doubt, other than amounts payable by Buyer under Section 5.1(b)), other than any Tax imposed on or measured by income to the extent such Tax would have been reduced or eliminated had the Sellers' Tax attributes not transferred to Buyer (taking into account Tax attributes Sellers would have had if all transactions described in Article II were Designated Sale Transactions), (iii) Liabilities of Buyer or any of its Affiliates for Taxes described in clause (i) or (ii) hereof of any Sellers or their Affiliates as a transferee or successor, by contract, operation of law or otherwise, other than as part of any agreement entered into in the Ordinary Course of Business the primary purpose of which is not related to Tax and (iv) Taxes imposed on any earnings on the investment of the cash received pursuant to Section 3.1(a) pending its distribution pursuant to the Bankruptcy Plan.

"Excluded Asset-Sale Taxes" shall mean any and all (i) Taxes imposed on or payable by any Sellers or their Affiliates for any taxable period (whether starting or ending before or after the Closing Date) or with respect to any of the Acquired Assets, the Acquired Properties the Business or the Assumed Liabilities, other than amounts payable by Buyer under Section 5.1(b); (ii) Liabilities of Buyer or any of its Affiliates for Taxes of any Sellers or their Affiliates as a transferee or successor, by contract, operation of law or otherwise, other than as part of any agreement entered into in the Ordinary Course of Business the primary purpose of which is not related to Tax and (iii) for purposes of Section 2.4(i), any Taxes described in the "other than" sub-clauses of clauses (i) and (ii) of the definition of Excluded Asset-Reorganization Taxes.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, "Excluded Asset-Sale Taxes" shall not include any Excluded Asset-Reorganization Taxes.

"Excluded Equipment" shall mean all Equipment other than the Acquired Equipment.

"Excluded Improvements" shall mean all Improvements other than the Acquired Improvements.

"Excluded Inventory" shall mean (i) all Inventory other than the Acquired Inventory, and (ii) all Inventory held by Sellers which is located at any site which is not a Property and (iii) all Inventory which is located at the GOB Stores.

"Excluded IT" shall mean the Equipment and other assets set forth on Schedule 1.1(c).

"Excluded IP Licenses" shall mean any IP Licenses not included in the Assigned Agreements.

"Excluded Liabilities" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.4.

"Exclusive License" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.14 mean the license agreement by and between KCD IP, LLC and Buyer as described in Section 9.14(b).

"Existing Financing Arrangements" shall mean the Citi L/C Facility, the DIP Credit Agreement, the FILO Facility, the IP/Ground Lease Term Loan Facility, the Junior DIP Term Loan Agreement, the Real Estate Loan 2020, the Second Lien Line of Credit Facility, the Second Lien Term Loan, the Second Lien PIK Notes and the Third Amended and Restated Credit FacilityAgreement.

"Expense Reimbursement Amount" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 8.2(a).

"Expenses" shall mean (i) the <u>Buyer Occupancy Expenses Costs</u>, if applicable, and (ii) the reasonable and documented out-of-pocket fees, costs and expenses or other disbursements borne by any Seller or its Affiliates incurred or accruing (a) during the Designation Rights Period, to the extent Related to a Designatable Lease or Operating Leased Property, (b) after the Closing, to the extent related to an Additional Contract, but or (c) as a result of Sellers being the tenant under the Designatable Lease or Additional Contract during, with respect to the GOB Leased Stores, the period commencing after the GOB Period and ending at the expiration of the Designation Rights Period, and with respect to any Operating Leased Property, during the Designation Rights Period, and any reasonable and documented fees, costs and expenses incurred by any Seller or its Affiliates in connection with any transfer of a Designatable Lease to Purchaser following the Designation Rights Period, but in each case shall not, for the avoidance of doubt, include rejection damages or Cure Costs.

"Filing" shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"FILO Facility" shall mean the first-in, last-out tranche of debt under the Third Amended and Restated Credit Agreement (as amended by (i) that certain Fifth Amendment to Third Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of March 21, 2018, by and between, inter alios, Sears Roebuck Acceptance CorporationCorp. and Kmart Corporation, as borrowers, Sears Holdings CorporationSHC, Bank of America, N.A., as administrative agent, co-collateral agent and lender, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as co-collateral agent and lender, and PNC Bank, National Association, Citibank N.A., Citizen Business Capital, and Regions Bank, as revolving lenders and (ii) that certain Sixth Amendment to Third Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of March 21, 2018, by and between, inter alios, Sears Roebuck Acceptance CorporationCorp. and Kmart Corporation, as borrowers, SHC, Bank of America, N.A., as administrative agent and co-collateral agent, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as co-collateral agent, and Benefit Street 2018 LLC, JPP LLC and JPP II LLC as lenders).

"Final Junior DIP Order" shall mean that certain Final Junior DIP Order (I) Authorizing the Debtors to (A) Obtain Post-Petition Financing and (B) Grant Secured Priming Liens and Superpriority Administrative Expense Claims; (II) Modifying the Automatic Stay; and (III) Granting Related Relief [Docket No. 1436].

"Final Order" shall mean an action taken or order issued by the applicable Governmental Authority (i) as to which no appeal, notice of appeal, motion to amend or make additional findings of fact, motion to alter or amend judgment, motion for rehearing or motion for new trial, request for stay, motion or petition for reconsideration, application or request for review, or other similar motion, application, notice or request (collectively, a "Challenge") has been timely filed, or, if any of the foregoing has been timely filed, it has been disposed of in a manner that upholds and affirms the subject order in all respects without the possibility for further Challenge thereon and (ii) as to which the time for instituting or filing a Challenge shall have expired.

"Financing" shall mean, collectively, the Debt Financing, the Cyrus Financing, the Real Estate Financing and the Equity Financing.

"Financing Sources" shall mean, with respect to (x) the Real Estate Financing, the Cyrus Lender and the Sponsor and (y) the Debt Financing and/or the Cyrus Financing, the Cyrus Lender and the other Sponsor and Citibank, N.A. and (z) the ABL Financing, the Persons that have directly or indirectly committed to provide or otherwise entered into agreements in connection with the Debt ABL Financing and/or the Cyrus Financing (other than the Buyer and its Affiliates)—in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby pursuant to the Debt Commitment Letter and/or the Cyrus ABL Commitment Letter, including the agents, Berkeley Research Group, LLC or any other financial advisors, arrangers and lenders party to the Cyrus ABL Commitment Letter, the Debt Commitment—Letter and/or the Debt Financing Documents relating to the ABL Financing, together with any of their respective Affiliates and their respective Affiliates' former, current or future officers, directors, employees, agents and representatives, direct or indirect shareholders or equity holders, managers, members and their respective successors and assigns, in each case in their capacities as such.

"Foreign Subsidiary" shall mean any Subsidiary of any Seller incorporated under any jurisdiction other than the United States of America and its territories, other than Sears RE.

"FTC" shall mean the Federal Trade Commission.

"GAAP" shall mean U.S. generally accepted accounting principles in effect from time to time.

"GOB Leased Stores" shall mean the Leased Premises and the Owned Real Propertyeach of (i) those leases or lease agreements (including ground leases) related to the real properties identified on Schedule 1.1(i). [] (together with all amendments, modifications, supplements and renewals thereof), and (ii) to the extent applicable to such leases and lease agreements, all non-disturbance agreements with fee owners or senior landlords, subordination, non-disturbance and attornment agreements, waivers and consents in favor of any Seller, estoppel certificates

from landlords under any of the Leases (to the extent assignable), and landlord waivers or other collateral access agreements in favor of any Seller or any asset-based lenders.⁴

"GOB Owned Stores" shall mean the real property described in Schedule 1.1[•], including, in each case, all of the right, title and interest of Seller and its Subsidiaries to all Improvements located thereon and all easements and other rights and interests appurtenant thereto and any associated rights to parking.⁵

"GOB Period" shall mean with respect to each GOB Leased Store, the period commencing on the Closing Date and ending on the date that Seller delivers written notice to Buyer that the "going-out-of-business" sale with respect to such GOB Leased Store has been completed and all inventory of Sellers has been removed from such GOB Leased Store.

"Governmental Authority" shall mean any United States federal, state, municipal or local or any foreign government, governmental agency or authority, or regulatory or administrative authority, or any court, tribunal or judicial body having jurisdiction, including the Bankruptcy Court.

"Hazardous Substances" shall mean any material, substance or waste (solid, liquid, gaseous or combination thereof) defined, characterized or regulated as "hazardous," "toxic," "explosive," a "pollutant" or a "contaminant" under Environmental Laws, including asbestos or any substance containing asbestos, formaldehyde, polychlorinated biphenyls, lead paint and petroleum or petroleum products (including crude oil and any fraction thereof), and by-products of any or all of the foregoing.

"HSR Act" shall mean the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, as amended, and the relevant rules and regulations thereunder.

"HSR Filing" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 8.3(b).

"Improvements" shall mean all building systems (including HVAC, electrical, plumbing, mechanical, vertical transportation and other similar systems), leasehold alterations, improvements, structures, buildings, fixtures and equipment which are affixed to and constitute a part of any applicable real property. For the avoidance of doubt, Inventory are not Improvements.

"Inbound IP License" shall mean any Contract pursuant to which any Seller is granted any license, covenant not to sue or other rights to use any (i) Intellectual Property or (ii) data (including personal data and personally identifiable information); provided, however, that the term "Inbound IP License" shall not include any Outbound IP License.

⁴ To include list of leased stores that are in GOB mode.

⁵ To include list of owned stores that are in GOB mode.

"Income Taxes" shall mean (i) any income, franchise, net worth, capital gains, profits, gross receipts or similar Taxes (including whether based on net or gross income and including all interest and penalties thereon and additions thereto) or (ii) any other Tax that is computed by taking into account the Tax attributes of Sellers that would be transferred to Buyer or any of its Affiliates in connection with a Tax Reorganization.

"Initial Assigned Agreements" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.7(b).

"Initial Assigned Contract" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.7(b).

"Initial Assigned Lease" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.7(b).

"Intellectual Property" shall mean all intellectual property and other similar proprietary rights, anywhere in the world, whether registered or unregistered, including all rights in and to (i) all trademarks, service marks, logos, trade dress and other source identifiers and commercial indicia of origin, and all registrations and applications therefor, in each case together with the goodwill of the businesses in which the foregoing are used and all goodwill connected with the use of and symbolized by the foregoing (collectively the "Trademarks"), (ii) all trade names, fictitious business names, corporate names and d/b/a names, together with the goodwill of the businesses in which the foregoing are used and all goodwill connected with the use of and symbolized by the foregoing (collectively the "Business Names"), (iii) all domain names, URLs and IP addresses (collectively, such domain names and websites, the "Domain Names"), (iv) any social media accounts, identifiers and handles (collectively the "Media Accounts"), (v) trade secrets, know-how and confidential information, including proprietary rights in and to processes, methods, formulae, marketing and technical information, blueprints, quality assurance and control procedures, design tools and simulation capabilities (collectively, the "Know-How"), (vi) all patents and patent applications (including provisionals, continuations, divisionals, continuations-in-part, renewals, reissues, re-examinations, substitutions and extensions thereof), inventions and inventions disclosures (whether or not patentable)(collectively the "Patents"), (vii) all copyrights and registrations and applications therefor and works of authorship, moral rights, designs and mask work rights (collectively the "Copyrights"), (viii) all database rights and (ix) computer programs and applications and any other software (regardless of the stage of development or completion), including libraries, subroutines, protocols, toolsets, compilers, schematics, plugins, APIs and other components thereof, whether in source code, object code or other form, computerized databases and other computerized compilations and collections of data or information, user interfaces, command structures, report formats, templates, menus, buttons and icons, in each case, relating to computer programs or other software, and descriptions, flow charts, architectures, development tools and other materials used to design, plan, organize and develop any of the foregoing; and all related specifications and documentation (collectively, the "Software").

"Intellectual Property Related Documentation" shall mean each of the following to the extent existing as of the Closing Date and in Sellers' possession or control as of the Closing Date: (i) all correct and complete physical and electronic copies of all prosecution files and dockets, registration certificates, litigation files and related opinions of counsel and correspondence relating thereto for all issued, registered and applied-for items of Acquired

Intellectual Property, (ii) all litigation files to the extent relating to Actions brought for the infringement, dilution, misappropriation or other violation of the Acquired Intellectual Property, (iii) all books, records, files, ledgers or similar documentation in Sellers' possession used to track, organize or maintain any of the Acquired Intellectual Property, (iv) a list of outstanding maintenance, renewal and prosecution deadlines with respect to the applied-for, registered or issued Acquired Intellectual Property that fall within ninety (90) days following the Closing Date and (v) copies of acquisitions agreements relating to acquisitions of the Acquired Intellectual Property.

"Intellectual Property Security Agreement" shall mean that certain Intellectual Property Security Agreement, dated January 4, 2018 (at any time amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified), by and among SHC, Sears Roebuck Acceptance Corp. and Kmart Corporation, as Borrowers, and the other guarantors party thereto, and the lenders named therein, in favor of JPP, LLC, as Agent.

"Intercompany IP Agreements" shall mean any Contract under which a Seller or an Affiliate of a Seller licenses or grants any license, covenant not to sue or other rights under any of the Acquired Intellectual Property to any other Seller(s) or Affiliate(s) of any Seller.

"Interim Junior DIP Order" shall mean that certain Interim Junior DIP Order (I) Authorizing the Debtors to (A) Obtain Post-Petition Financing and (B) Grant Secured Priming Liens and Superpriority Administrative Expense Claims; (II) Modifying the Automatic Stay; (III) Scheduling the Final Hearing; and (IV) Granting Related Relief [Docket No. 951].

"Inventory" [shall mean all goods, other than farm products, which (i) are leased by a person as lessor, (ii) are held by a person for sale or lease or to be furnished under a contract of service, (iii) are furnished by a person under a contract of service; or (iv) consist of raw materials, work in process, or materials used or consumed in the Business.]⁶

"Inventory Date" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.4(a).

"Inventory Purchase Price" shall mean an amount equal to \$1,320,050,000.

"Inventory Taker" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.4(a).

"IP/Ground Lease Buyout Amount" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.1(c).

"IP/Ground Lease Property" shall mean the properties that are collateral under the IP/Ground Lease Term Loan Facility, as set forth on Schedule 1.1(d).

"IP/Ground Lease Term Loan Facility" shall mean the loan facility granted pursuant to that certain Term Loan Credit Agreement, dated as of January 4, 2018 (at any time amended,

⁶ Note to Sellers: As discussed, inventory definition to be revised to match SHC definition which tracks borrowing base definition.

restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified), by and between Sears Roebuck Acceptance CorporationCorp. and Kmart Corporation, as borrowers, the guarantors party thereto from time to time, JPP LLC as agent, and JPP LLC, JPP II LLC, Cyrus Opportunities Master Fund II, Ltd., CRS Master Fund, L.P., Crescent 1, L.P., Canary SC Master Fund, L.P., Cyrus Select Opportunities Master Fund, Ltd., Cyrus Special Strategies Master Fund, L.P., and Cyrus 1740 Master Funds, LP, as lenders.

"IP Assignment Agreement" shall mean the agreement substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit B, to be entered into by and between Sellers, on the one hand, and Buyer or its applicable Affiliates, on the other hand.

"IP License" shall mean each Inbound IP License and each Outbound IP License, and any agreement that constitutes an "IP License" as defined in the Intellectual Property Security Agreement, in each case, for the avoidance of doubt, including the KCD Agreements.

"IP Powers of Attorney" shall mean documents appointing attorneys for Buyer or Buyer's designees with full power to execute documents and take all other steps solely in connection with (i) effectuating and implementing the assignment of the Acquired Intellectual Property, (ii) perfecting Buyer's right, title and interest in, to and under the Acquired Intellectual Property pursuant to such assignment and (iii) as otherwise necessary for related bona fide purposes, in each of cases (i) through (iii) in the intellectual property offices of various jurisdictions around the world, at or after the Closing, including, (A) with respect to the applied-for, issued or registered United States Intellectual Property, the power of attorney substantially as set forth in the form at Exhibit G,C and (B) with respect to any Intellectual Property included in the Acquired Intellectual Property that is issued, filed or registered in a jurisdiction outside of the United States, powers of attorney suitable for recording in each such jurisdiction with terms and conditions substantially similar to those set forth in Exhibit GC, except for any different terms and conditions that would be necessary in a recordable power of attorney for the respective local jurisdiction and (C) similar forms as required for each of the various countries.

"IT Systems" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6.10(e).

"Junior DIP Consideration" shall mean evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Sellers that all obligations (including any accrued and unpaid interest) of the Sellers with respect to the Junior DIP Conversion Amount have been satisfied and released.

"Junior DIP Conversion Amount" [shall mean athe principal amount outstanding of debt under the Junior DIP Term Loan Agreement immediately prior to the Closing equal to the lesser of (i) the principal amount converted at Closing into debt securities of Buyer pursuant to the Cyrus Financing held by Cyrus Lender and (ii) \$230,000,000.17

Note to Seller: Acceptance of Seller proposal is subject to addition of new condition regarding maximum Junior DIP amount outstanding.

"Junior DIP Term Loan Agreement" shall mean that certain Superpriority Junior Lien Secured Debtor-in-Possession Credit Agreement dated as of November 29, 2018 by and among SearsSHC, as Hholdings Corporation, Sears Roebuck Acceptance Corp., and Kmart Corporation (Kmart Corp. together with SRAC, as borrowers), the several banks, financial institutions or other entities from time to time party thereto as Term Lenders thereunder and Cantor Fitzgerald Securities as administrative agent and collateral agent as filed with the Bankruptcy Court [Docket No. 951-2] and approved on an interim basis pursuant to the Interim Junior DIP Order and on a final basis pursuant to the Final Junior DIP Order.

"KCD Agreements" shall mean all IP Licenses under which KCD IP, LLC or a Seller grants any license, sublicense, covenant not to sue or other rights under any KCD IP to any Seller prior to the Closing.

"KCD IP" shall mean any Intellectual Property owned by KCD IP, LLC as of the date hereof or as of the Closing.

"KCD Notes" shall mean the 6.90% KCD IP, LLC Asset-Backed Notes issued pursuant to the Indenture dated as of May 18, 2006, by KCD IP, LLC as Issuer and U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee.

"Kenmore Marks" shall mean the name "KENMORE" and any name consisting of, containing or incorporating "KENMORE", and all designs and logos associated therewith, in each case, together with all variations thereof; and all Trademarks, Business Names, Domain Names and Media Accounts consisting of, containing or incorporating any of the foregoing.

"Kenmore/DieHard Business" shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"Kmart Marks" shall mean the name "KMART" and any name consisting of, containing or incorporating "KMART", and all designs and logos associated therewith, in each case, together with all variations thereof; and all Trademarks, Business Names, Domain Names and Media Accounts consisting of, containing or incorporating any of the foregoing.

"Knowledge" shall mean, with respect to any matter in question, in the case of Sellers, the knowledge after reasonable inquiry of the individuals set forth on Schedule 1.1(e) with respect to such matter.

"Know-How" shall have the definition set forth in the definition of Intellectual Property.

"L/C Facility Consideration" shall mean evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Sellers that all obligations of Sellers with respect to amounts outstanding or commitments under the Citi L/C Facility (but in no event with respect to a principal amount of greater than \$271 million) have been satisfied and released, including as contemplated by the Cyrus Financing.

"Labeling and Marketing Materials" shall mean all product labeling, product advertising, marketing and promotional materials, training materials and other similar materials, in each case created or developed by or on behalf of a Seller.

"Law" shall mean any foreign or domestic law, statute, code, ordinance, rule, regulation, order, decision, judgment, writ, stipulation, award, injunction or decree by any Governmental Authority, including all Environmental Laws and the Americans with Disabilities Act, as amended ("ADA"), together with all final and unappealable awards or decisions by an arbitrator or arbitration panel ("Arbitrator") by which Sellers or any of the Properties, Leases or Acquired Assets is bound.

"<u>Leases</u>" shall mean collectively (i) the Initial Assigned Leases, and (ii) the Designatable Leases.

"Lease Premises" shall mean each of the Sellers' or its Subsidiaries' leased real properties that is an Initial Assigned Lease or a Designatable Lease.

"Liability" shall mean any liability, indebtedness, debt, guaranty, claim, demand, loss, damage, deficiency, assessment, responsibility, Claim, Action, proceeding or obligation of whatever kind or nature (whether known or unknown, whether asserted or unasserted, whether absolute or contingent, whether accrued or unaccrued, whether liquidated or unliquidated, whether due or to become due, whether determined or determinable, whether choate or inchoate, whether secured or unsecured, whether matured or not yet matured) and including all costs, fees and expenses relating thereto.

"<u>Lien</u>" means any claim, mortgage, option, pledge, lien, encumbrance, title defect, preemptive right, restriction on transfer or other restriction of any kind (other than restrictions on transfer created under applicable securities laws, charge or other security interest).

"Management and Services Agreement" shall mean that certain Management and Services Agreement between Buyer and the applicable SellersSHC, to be dated as of the Closing Date, in form and substance reasonably acceptable to each of Buyer and each applicable Sellersubstantially the form attached as Exhibit G hereto.

"Marketing Period" means athe first period of [efighteen (18)15)] consecutive Business Days, commencing no earlier than after the date of this Agreement (provided that January 21, 2019 is not and shall not be considered a Business Day), and throughout each day of which (ix) Buyer shall have all of the Required Information, (ii) and such Required Information is Compliant and (v) nothing has occurred and no condition exists that would cause any of the conditions set forth in Articles X and Article XI shall be satisfied or waived (other than conditions that by their nature will not be satisfied until the Closing) and (iii) nothing shall have occurred and no condition shall exist that would cause any of such conditions to fail to be satisfied assuming on or prior to the Closing were to be scheduled for any time during such eighteen (18) consecutive Business Date; provided that January 21, 2019 shall be considered a Business Day for the purposes of calculating such [fifteen (15)] Business Day period. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Marketing Period shall not commence and shall be deemed not to have commenced if, on or prior to the completion of such [efighteen (18)15)] consecutive Business Day period, (i) Sellers (or any Affiliate thereof) have determined that a restatement of any financial information included in the Required Information is necessary or that such restatement is under consideration, in which case the Marketing Period shall be deemed not to commence unless and until any such

restatement has been completed and the applicable Required Information has been amended or Sellers (or any Affiliate thereof) have determined that no restatement shall be required, or (ii) Sellers' auditors have withdrawn any audit opinion with respect to any financial statements contained in the any Required Information, in which case the Marketing Period shall be deemed not to commence unless and until Sellers' auditors have issued a new unqualified audit opinion with respect to such financial statements would not be Compliant during such [fifteen (15)] Business Day period. Notwithstanding the provisions of this paragraph, the Marketing Period shall end on any earlier date on which the Debt Financing is consummated; provided, that if Sellers in good faith reasonably believe that they have delivered the Required Information that is Compliant to Buyer, they may deliver to Buyer a written notice to that effect (stating when they believe they completed such delivery), in which case the such Required Information shall be deemed to have been delivered on the date specified in that notice, unless Buyer in good faith reasonably believes that Sellers have not completed delivery of the Required Information or that the Required Information is not Compliant and, within fourtwo (42) Business Days after receipt of such notice from Sellers, Buyer delivers a written notice to Sellers to that effect and stating with specificity which Required Information Sellers have not delivered or the reason for which the Required Information is not Compliant, in which case, the Marketing Period shall commence upon delivery to Buyer of such specified information.

"Material Casualty / Condemnation Event" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 12.3(a).

"Material Adverse Effect" shall mean any effect, change, condition, circumstance, development or event (any of the foregoing, an "Effect") that, individually or in the aggregate with all other Effects has had, or would reasonably be expected to have, a material adverse effect on (A) the assets, liabilities, properties, business or condition (financial or otherwise) of the Designation Rights, Acquired Assets and Assumed Liabilities taken as a whole, or (B) Sellers' ability to consummate the Transactions pursuant to the terms hereof, in each case excluding any Effect that results from or arises out of: (i) the execution and delivery of this Agreement or the announcement thereof or the pendency or consummation of the Transactions; (ii) any change in the United States or foreign economies or securities or financial markets generally; (iii) any change arising in connection with natural disasters, earthquakes, fire, flood, hurricane, tornado or other weather event, geopolitical conditions or any outbreak or escalation of hostilities or acts of terrorism or war, military actions or any escalation or material worsening of any such hostilities or acts of terrorism or war, military actions existing or underway as of the date hereof; (iv) any effect, change or event that is otherwise generally applicable to the industries and markets in which Sellers operate; (v) changes in (or proposals to change) Laws or accounting regulations or principles; (vi) any action expressly contemplated by this Agreement; (vii) compliance with the terms of this Agreement; or (viii) the Bankruptcy Cases and reasonably anticipated Effects thereof on the Business, the Acquired Assets or the Designation Rights; provided, however, that in the case of the foregoing clauses (ii), (iii), (iv) or (v), any such Effect shall not be deemed to be excluded solely to the extent it has a materially disproportionate adverse effect on the assets, liabilities, properties, business or condition of the Sellers, taken as a whole, compared to other Persons similarly situated in the same industry.

"Material Casualty / Condemnation Event" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 12.3(a).

"Material Contracts" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6.11(a).

"Media Accounts" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of Intellectual Property.

"Multiemployer Plan" shall mean a "multiemployer plan" within the meaning of Section 3(37) or 4001(a)(3) of ERISA.

"Non-Recourse Parties" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 13.12.

"Non-Represented Employees" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.7(a).

"Occupancy Agreement" shall mean that certain Occupancy Agreement in the form attached hereto as Exhibit D.

"Occupancy Expenses" shall mean, with respect to any Lease Premises, all liquidated costs, expenses, obligations and liabilities under or in connection with the applicable Lease payable or paid by any Seller, including any and all mortgage payments, base rent, percentage rent, additional rent, CAM, utilities, Property Taxes and assessments, costs of continuing the level of maintenance and security required by this Agreement, a pro rata portion of insurance (including public liability and casualty insurance) attributable to such Lease or Lease Premises and all other categories of expenses, obligations and liabilities arising or accruing under or in connection with such Lease (whether or not billed by the applicable counterparty to such Lease). For the avoidance of doubt, Occupancy Expenses shall not include any Seller's costs and expenses of (a) any professionals retained in connection with the Bankruptcy Cases or (b) counsel of any kind except to the extent counsel is retained with respect to a Lease or Owned Real Property and not Sellers' other operations.

"OEA" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of Books and Records.

"Operating Leased Property" shall mean each of (i) those leases or lease agreements (including ground leases) related to the real properties identified on Schedule 1.1[•] (together with all amendments, modifications, supplements and renewals thereof), and (ii) to the extent applicable to such leases and lease agreements, all non-disturbance agreements with fee owners or senior landlords, subordination, non-disturbance and attornment agreements, waivers and consents in favor of any Seller, estoppel certificates from landlords under any of the Leases (to the extent assignable), and landlord waivers or other collateral access agreements in favor of any Seller or any asset-based lenders.

"Operating Owned Property" shall mean the real property described in Schedule 1.1[•], including, in each case, all of the right, title and interest of Seller and its Subsidiaries to all Improvements located thereon and all easements and other rights and interests appurtenant thereto and any associated rights to parking.

"Order" shall mean any award, writ, injunction, judgment, order, decree, attachment, stay, stipulation, certification, determination, decision, verdict, ruling, subpoena, or award issued or entered by or with any Governmental Authority or Arbitrator (whether temporary, preliminary or permanent).

"Ordered Inventory" shall mean Inventory (other than Prepaid Inventory) of the type set forth on Schedule 1.1[•](f) that has been ordered by Sellers prior to the Closing Date but as to which Sellers have not taken title or delivery prior to the Closing Date.

"Ordered Inventory Shortfall Amount" shall mean an amount equal to \$166,000,000 less the amount of the Ordered Inventory as of the Closing Date.

"Ordinary Course of Business" shall mean the operation of the Business in the ordinary and usual course consistent with past practice as well as (and subject to) the Filing and all Orders entered in connection therewith.

"Other Payables" shall mean the accounts payable set forth on Schedule 1.1[•](g).

"Outbound IP License" shall mean any Contract pursuant to which any Seller has granted any license, covenant not to use or other rights under any (i) Acquired Intellectual Property or (ii) Acquired Data, in each case, whether or not, pursuant to such Contract, any Seller was granted any license, covenant not to sue or other rights to use any (A) Intellectual Property or (B) data (including personal data and personally identifiable information).

"Outside Date" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 12.1(a)(ii).

"Owned Real Property" shall mean the real property described in Schedule 1.1(f), including, in each case, all of the right, title and interest of Seller and its Subsidiaries to all Improvements located thereon and all easements and other rights and interests appurtenant thereto and any associated rights to parking.(i) the GOB Owned Stores and (ii) the Operating Owned Properties.

"PA Liabilities" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.3(e).

"PartsDirect Marks" shall mean the name "PARTSDIRECT" and any name consisting of, containing or incorporating "PARTSDIRECT", and all designs and logos associated therewith, in each case, together with all variations thereof; and all Trademarks, Business Names, Domain Names and Media Accounts consisting of, containing or incorporating any of the foregoing.

"Party" or "Parties" shall mean, individually or collectively, Buyer and Sellers.

"Patents" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of Intellectual Property.

"Payoff Letters" means payoff letters in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to Buyer (subject only to delivery of funds as arranged by Buyer), that (i) specify the aggregate amount required to be paid to fully satisfy the existing indebtedness of Sellers to be repaid under this Agreement or otherwise satisfied at Closing (including principal, interest, fees, expenses and

other amounts payable under such indebtedness) that will be outstanding as of the Closing and (ii) provide for the full and unconditional release of (A) any and all guarantees provided by Sellers of all such obligations and (B) any and all Liens and other security interests on the Acquired Assets securing all such obligations (subject, in each case, only to delivery of funds as arranged by Buyer). Each Payoff Letter shall include UCC-3 termination statements and fully executed short-form termination and release agreements with respect to any and all security interests in intellectual property that, when filed or recorded, as the case may be, will be sufficient to release any and all such security interests in intellectual property, and the authorization for the Sellers to file or record such documents (unless already filed concurrently with delivery of such Payoff Letter).

"Pending Inventory" shall mean the Ordered Inventory and the Prepaid Inventory.

"Permitted Encumbrances" shall mean Permitted Post-Closing Encumbrances and Permitted Pre-Closing Encumbrances.

"Permitted Post-Closing Encumbrances" shall mean (i) with respect to real property leased or owned by Sellers, zoning restrictions, building codes and other land use laws regulating the use or occupancy of real property and defects of title, easements, rights of way, covenants and restrictions, and any other encumbrance, in each case, that do not, individually or in the aggregate, materially affect the value and do not materially interfere with the use and operation of the assets to which they relate, (ii) other non-monetary Encumbrances that do not materially, individually or in the aggregate, interfere with the use or market value of the assets to which they relate or which will be cleared by the Bankruptcy Court, (iii) any encumbrances on the interest of any landlord or sublandlord or underlying fee interest of any Acquired Lease and (iv) as otherwise set forth on Schedule 1.1(gi).

"Permitted Pre-Closing Encumbrances" shall mean (i) with respect to real property leased or owned by Sellers, zoning restrictions, building codes and other land use laws regulating the use or occupancy of real property and defects of title, easements, rights of way, covenants and restrictions, and any other encumbrance, in each case, that do not, individually or in the aggregate, materially affect the value and do not materially interfere with the use and operation of the assets to which they relate, (ii) other non-monetary Encumbrances that do not, individually or in the aggregate, materially interfere with the use or market value of the assets to which they relate or which will be cleared by the Bankruptcy Court, (iii) any encumbrances on the interest of any landlord or sublandlord or underlying fee interest of any Acquired Lease, (iv) non-exclusive licenses to Intellectual Property granted to customers, suppliers and other service providers of Sellers to the extent necessary for their respective use of the products and services of the Business or for the provision of services to Sellers and its Subsidiaries in connection therewith and entered into in the Ordinary Course of Business, (v) any matter disclosed in any title policies, title commitments, other title reports and/or surveys provided or made available to Buyer on or prior to the date hereof, (vi) liens for Taxes that are not delinquent or which are being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings and with respect to which adequate reserves are being maintained to the extent required in accordance with GAAP, (vii) mechanics', carriers', workmen's, repairmen's or other similar liens arising or incurred in the Ordinary Course of Business for amounts which are (x) not due and payable and (y) not, individually or in the aggregate, material to the Business or the Acquired Assets, (viii) such other imperfections in title, charges, easements, restrictions and encumbrances which do not secure an obligation to pay money or materially interfere with the use or market value of the assets to which they relate and (ix) as otherwise set forth on Schedule 1.1(hi).

"Person" shall mean any individual, corporation (including any non-profit corporation), partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, estate, trust, association, organization or other entity or Governmental Authority.

"Petition Date" shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"<u>Pharmacy Receivables</u>" means Accounts (as defined under the UCC) arising from the sale of prescription drugs or other Inventory which can be dispensed only through an order of a licensed professional (including, for the avoidance of doubt, for pharmacy scripts).

"Plans and Permits" shall mean, with respect to any Lease Premises or Owned Real Property, all related reports (including engineering and environmental), surveys (boundary and topographical), plans, blueprints and other schematics, franchises, grants, authorizations, licenses, permits, easements, variances, exceptions, consents, certificates (including all certificates of occupancy), building permits, fire, health and safety permits, site plan approvals and all other planning approvals, zoning variances, conditional or special use permits (including for firearms or other special occupancies or uses), general assembly or general use permits or other similar documentation, and all Environmental Permits, approvals, clearances and Orders of a Governmental Authority, together with all architect, engineer, contractor, vendor and supplier warranties and guarantees with respect to any of the foregoing and/or the related Improvements.

"Potential Acquired Assets" shall mean all assets of Seller of any kind that either (i) constitute an Acquired Asset (other than Leases or Contracts) or (ii) constitute Potential Assigned Transferred Agreements.

"Potential AssignedTransferred Agreement" shall mean (i) all Leases, and (ii) all other Contracts Related to the Business to which a Seller is a party, in each case, as listed on the list provided by the Seller to Buyer within five (5) Business Days following the date hereof, and (iii) and all IP Licenses, but excluding, in each case, this Agreement, the Approval Order, the Existing Financing Arrangements and any other Transaction Documents, and any engagement letters or agreements between any Seller and any estate professionals retained by such Seller. For the avoidance of doubt, the foregoing Leases and Contracts are required to be listed on the list provided by the Seller to Buyer within five (5) Business Days following the date hereof in accordance with Section 2.7.

"Pre-Assignment Tax Period" shall mean, with respect to any Acquired Asset, Acquired Property or Assumed Liability, any taxable period (or portion thereof) ending on or before the date on which (i) the sale, transfer, assignment, conveyance or delivery of, or relating to, such Acquired Asset or Acquired Property to Buyer (or an applicable Assignee) or (ii) the assumption of such Assumed Liability by Buyer (or an applicable Assignee), in each case, is consummated,

which date shall be the Closing Date or the applicable Designation Assignment Date pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.

"Prepaid Inventory" shall mean all Inventory that has been paid for by Sellers prior to the Closing Date but as to which Sellers have not taken title or delivery as of the Closing Date.

"Proceeding" shall mean any claim, as defined in the Bankruptcy Code, action, arbitration, audit, hearing, investigation, litigation, or suit (whether civil criminal, administrative or investigative) commenced, brought, conducted, or heard by or before, or otherwise involving, any Governmental Authority.

"Product Catalogs and Manuals" shall mean all product catalogs, manuals and user guides, in each case created or developed by or on behalf of any Seller.

"Property" shall mean any (i) each Lease Premises and (ii) each Owned Real Property.

"Property Taxes" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(i).

"Purchase Price" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.1.

"Real Estate Financing" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.4(a).

"Real Estate Financing Commitment Letter" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.4(a).

"Real Estate Loan 2020" shall mean the loan extended pursuant to that certain [Third Amended and Restated Loan Agreement, dated June 4, 2018] (as at any time amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified), among Sears, Roebuck and Co, Kmart Stores of Illinois LLC, Kmart of Washington LLC, Kmart Corporation, SHC Desert Springs, LLC, Innovel Solutions, Inc., Sears Holdings Management Corporation, MaxServ, Inc., Troy Coolidge No 13, LLC, Sears Development Co. and Big Beaver of Florida Development, LLC, collectively as borrowers, Sears Holdings Corporation SHC, as guarantor, JPP, LLC as agent, and JPP, LLC, JPP II LLC and Cascade Investment, L.L.C., as lenders.

"Real Estate Loan 2020 Buyout Amount" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.1(c).

"Receivables Purchase Price" shall mean an amount equal to \$88,400,000.

"Related" to any business, asset or Liability, shall mean owned or held primarily by, required primarily for, or used, intended for use, leased or licensed, primarily in connection with,

or (in the case of Liabilities) to the extent accrued, reserved or incurred in connection with, such business, asset or Liability.

"Release Consideration" shall mean an amount of cash equal to Thirty-Five Million Dollars (\$35,000,000).

"Representative" shall mean, with respect to a particular Person, any director, officer, employee, agent, consultant, advisor or other representative of such Person, including legal counsel, accountants and financial advisors.

"Represented Employees" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.7.

"Required Information" means (x) the financial statements referenced in Section 6.13(a) of this Agreement and paragraph 5(ii) of Exhibit C of the Debt Commitment letter, (y) the financial information regarding the Sellers necessary for Buyer to prepare anythe pro forma financial statements for historical periods required by referenced in paragraph 5(i) of Exhibit C of the DebtABL Commitment Letter and (y) the financial projections required by statements regarding the Sellers referenced in paragraph 65(ii) of Exhibit C of the DebtABL Commitment Letter and (z) such other financial and other pertinent information regarding Sellers (including information regarding the business, operations and financial projections thereof) as may be reasonably requested by Buyer to assist in the preparation of a customary confidential information memorandum or other customary information documents used in financings of the type contemplated by the Debt Commitment Letter and any [(provided, that Buyer acknowledges that as of the date of this Agreement Buyer has received the financial suppliments thereto.referred to in this definition)].9

"Retail Price" [shall mean, with respect to each item of merchandise, the lowest ticketed, handmarked, shelf, file, SKU, scan or sales price of such item at the applicable retail store as of [•], 2018.100

"Retained Books and Records" shall mean (i) any documents that Sellers are required by applicable Law to retain, provided that a copy of such Books and Records that is also related to the Business, the Acquired Assets or the Assumed Liabilities shall be included in Books and Records, and Sellers shall redact from any copies included in the Retained Books and Records any information to the extent related to the Business, the Acquired Assets or the Assumed Liabilities to the extent permitted by applicable Law, (ii) corporate seals, minute books, charter

⁹ Note to Seller; if we receive everything we need prior to signing and the banks have signed off (ESL and the banks have been working directly with BRG and Rob) then we will include bracketed language to the extent received. For now, such information is not complete, so we are bracketing. Please also note that the financial information in 5(ii) of Exhibit C is coming directly from Rob from the Company systems, so we need to run through our Marketing Period / Compliant concept (this gets us to the same place as authorization letters would as we previously had in covenant, but we've deleted that requirement).

Note to Sellers: As discussed, Retail Price definition to be revised to match SHC definition which tracks borrowing base definition.

documents, corporate stock record books, original Tax Returns and such other books and records, in each case, as pertaining to the organization, or share capitalization of any of Sellers, (iii) any documents, instruments, records and other written or electronic material in whatever form or media exclusively related to any of the Excluded Assets or Excluded Liabilities, (iv) copies of any Books and Records or information Related to any Excluded Assets or Excluded Liabilities, provided that a copy of such Books and Records that is also related to the Business, the Acquired Assets or the Assumed Liabilities shall be included in Books and Records, and Sellers shall redact from any copies included in the Retained Books and Records any information to the extent related to the Business, the Acquired Assets or the Assumed Liabilities, (v) confidential personnel and medical records pertaining to current and former directors, officers, employees, consultants and independent contractors of the Sellers solely to the extent that a transfer of such information would be in violation of applicable Laws and provided that Sellers shall reasonably cooperate with Buyer to enter into any Contracts that Buyer may reasonably request in order to render the provision of such information compliant with all applicable Laws, (vi) documents relating to proposals to acquire the Business or the Acquired Assets or any part thereof by any Person other than Buyer, (vii) all documents prepared in connection with this Agreement or the Transactions and (viii) all documents primarily relating to the Bankruptcy Case and copies of all documents relating to the Bankruptcy Case.

"Sears Marks" shall mean the name "SEARS" and any name consisting of, containing or incorporating "SEARS", and all designs and logos associated therewith, in each case, together with all variations thereof; and all Trademarks, Business Names, Domain Names and Media Accounts consisting of, containing or incorporating any of the foregoing.

"Sears Re" shall mean Sears Reinsurance Company Ltd., a Bermuda Class 3 insurer.

"Second Lien Credit Agreement" shall mean that certain Second Lien Credit Agreement, dated as of September 1, 2016 by and among Sears Roebuck Acceptance CorporationCorp. and Kmart Corporation, as borrowers, Sears Holdings CorporationSHC, JPP LLC, as administrative agent and collateral administrator, JPP LLC and JPP II LLC, as lenders, and A&E Home Delivery, LLC, A&E Lawn & Garden, LLC, A&E Signature Service, California Builder Appliances, Inc., Florida Builder Appliances, Inc., KLC, Inc., Kmart Holding Corporation, Kmart of Michigan, Inc., Kmart of Washington, LLC, Kmart Operations LLC, Kmart Stores of Illinois LLC, Kmart Stores of Texas LLC, Kmart.com LLC, Mygofer LLC, Private Brands, Ltd., Sears Brands Management Corporation, Sears Holdings Management Corporation, Sears Home Improvement Products, Inc., Sears Operations LLC, Sears Protection Company, Sears Protection Company (Florida), L.L.C., Sears Roebuck and Co., Sears, Roebuck de Puerto Rico, Inc., SOE, Inc., Starwest, LLC, and A&E Factory Service, LLC, asthe guarantors party thereto from time to time.

"Second Lien Line of Credit Buyout Amount" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.1(e).

"Second Lien Line of Credit Facility" shall mean the line of credit facility granted pursuant to an amendment to the Second Lien Credit Agreement.

"Second Lien Term Loan" shall mean the term loan granted pursuant to the Second Lien Credit Agreement.

"Second Lien PIK Notes" shall mean those certain 6 5/8% secured convertible notes due October 2019, issued by Sears Holdings CorporationSHC pursuant to that certain Indenture, dated March 20, 2018 (as at any time amended, restated, amended and restated or otherwise modified) by and among Sears Holdings CorporationSHC, as issuer, Computershare Trust Company, N.A., as trustee, and California Builder Appliances, Inc., Florida Builder Appliances, Inc., Kmart Corporation, Kmart Holding Corporation, Kmart Operations LLC, Sears Operations LLC, Sears, Roebuck and Co., Sears Holdings Management Corporation, Sears Home Improvement Products, Inc., Sears Roebuck Acceptance Corp., A&E Factory Service, LLC, A&E Home Delivery, LLC, A&E Lawn & Garden, LLC, A&E Signature Service, LLC, Inc., Kmart of Michigan, Inc., Private Brands, Ltd., Sears Brands Management Corporation, Sears Protection Company, Sears Protection Company (Florida) L.L.C., Sears Roebuck de Puerto Rico, Inc., SOE, Inc., Starwest, LLC, Kmart.com LLC, Kmart of Washington LLC, Kmart Stores of Illinois LLC, Kmart Stores of Texas LLC, and Mygofer LLC, as guarantors.

"Securities Consideration" means debt or equity securities in Buyer, in an amount and form to be determined by Buyer in an amount and form reasonably acceptable to Buyer, including as to subordination.

"Security Deposit Documents" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(o).

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"Seller" and "Sellers" shall have the meanings set forth in the Preamble.

"Seller Instructions" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.8(c).

"Seller Retained Occupancy Agreement" shall mean that certain Seller Retained Occupancy Agreement in the form attached hereto as Exhibit [•].

"Seller SEC Reports" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6.12.

"Seller Products" shall mean any product manufactured, sold, offered for sale or otherwise distributed by a Seller within the scope of the Business.

"Seller Releasing Party" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.13.

"Seller Services" shall mean any service of the type provided by a Seller within the scope of the Business.

"Seritage Master Lease" shall mean the Master Lease by and among Seritage SRC Finance LLC, Seritage KMT Finance LLC, Kmart Operations, LLC, and Sears Operations, LLC, dated as of July 7, 2015, as modified by the Side Letter to Master Lease, by and among Seritage

SRC Finance LLC, Seritage KMT Finance LLC, Kmart Operations, LLC, and Sears Operations, LLC, dated as of July 7, 2015.

"Service Providers" shall mean the current and former directors, officers, employees, consultants and independent contractors of Sellers and their Affiliates.

"ServiceLive Marks" shall mean the name "SERVICELIVE" and any name consisting of, containing or incorporating "SERVICELIVE", and all designs and logos associated therewith, in each case, together with all variations thereof; and all Trademarks, Business Names, Domain Names and Media Accounts consisting of, containing or incorporating any of the foregoing.

"Severance Reimbursement Obligations" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.7(i) Section 9.7(i).

"SHC" shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

"SHIP Purchase Agreement" means that certain SHIP Asset Purchase Agreement entered into as of November 2, 2018 by and between Sears Holdings Corporation SHC, a Delaware corporation, and Service.com, Inc., a Delaware corporation (as may be amended from time to time).

"SHIP Purchase Agreement Assets" means the Transferred Assets (as defined in the SHIP Purchase Agreement).

"SHIP Purchase Agreement Liabilities" means the Assumed Liabilities (as defined in the SHIP Purchase Agreement).

"Shop Your Way Marks" shall mean the name "SHOP YOUR WAY" and any name consisting of, containing or incorporating "SHOP YOUR WAY", and all designs and logos associated therewith, in each case, together with all variations thereof; and all Trademarks, Business Names, Domain Names and Media Accounts consisting of, containing or incorporating any of the foregoing.

"Short Form Assignments" shall mean (i) with respect to any Trademarks, Patents or Copyrights issued, filed or registered in the United States and included in the Acquired Intellectual Property, agreements substantially in the form of Schedule 1, Schedule 2 or Schedule 3 of the IP Assignment Agreement, (ii) with respect to any Domain Names included in the Acquired Intellectual Property, an agreement substantially in the form of Schedule 4 of the IP Assignment Agreement and (iii) with respect to any Intellectual Property included in the Acquired Intellectual Property that is issued, filed or registered in a jurisdiction outside of the United States, an assignment agreement suitable for recording in the relevant jurisdictions with terms and conditions substantially similar to those set forth in Schedule 1, Schedule 2 or Schedule 3 of IP Assignment Agreement, except for any different terms and conditions that would be necessary in a recordable assignment agreement for the respective local jurisdiction, in each case of clauses (i) thorough (iii) to be entered into by and between a Seller, on the one hand, and Buyer or its applicable Affiliates, on the other hand (clauses (i) through (iii) shall

include each of the issued, registered or applied-for items of Intellectual Property included in the Acquired Intellectual Property).

"SKU" means stock keeping unit.

"Smart Sense Marks" shall mean the name "SMART SENSE" and any name consisting of, containing or incorporating "SMART SENSE", and all designs and logos associated therewith, in each case, together with all variations thereof; and all Trademarks, Business Names, Domain Names and Media Accounts consisting of, containing or incorporating any of the foregoing.

"Software" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of Intellectual Property.

"Sparrow Properties" shall mean the real properties set forth on Schedule 1.1[•].

"Specified Receivables" shall mean the accounts receivable set forth on Schedule 1.1 (k).

"Specified Receivables Shortfall Amount" shall mean an amount equal to \$255,200,000 less the amount of the Specified Receivables delivered to Buyer at Closing.

"Sponsor" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.4(a).

"Straddle Period" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.2(c) Section 9.2(d).

"Subsidiary" shall mean, with respect to any Person, any other Person where a majority of its outstanding voting or equity interests are held, directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, by such Person.

"Tax" or "Taxes" shall mean any federal, state, provincial, local, municipal, foreign or other taxes, duties, levies, governmental charges or assessments or deficiencies thereof, including all income, alternative, minimum, franchise, capital stock, net worth, capital gains, profits, intangibles, gross receipts, value added, sales, use, goods and services, excise, customs, transfer, recording, occupancy, employment, unemployment, social security, payroll, withholding, estimated or other taxes, duties, levies or other governmental charges or assessments or deficiencies thereof (including all interest and penalties thereon and additions thereto), in each case imposed by any Governmental Authority.

" $\underline{\text{Tax Opinion}}$ " shall mean an opinion at a "more likely than not" or higher standard as to the tax consequences of any of the transactions described in $\underline{\text{Article II}}$.

"<u>Tax Proceeding</u>" shall mean any audit, examination, investigation or other administrative or judicial proceeding with or against any Governmental Authority or otherwise with respect to Taxes.

"Tax Reorganization" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.12.

"Tax Result" shall mean (i) the minimization of the net amount of Taxes imposed on, and (ii) the maximization of the aggregate amount of the Tax attributes described in section 108(b)(2) of the Code available for utilization by, in each case, (x) Buyer or the group of affiliated corporations (within the meaning of section 1504(a) of the Code) of which Buyer is the parent (or a member) or (y) Buyer or any combined group of which it is a member for state Tax purposes.

"Tax Return" shall mean any return, declaration, report, claim for refund, information return or other document (including any related or supporting estimates, elections, schedules, statements, or information) filed with or required to be filed with any Governmental Authority in connection with the determination, assessment or collection of any Tax or the administration of any Laws, regulations or administrative requirements relating to any Tax.

"Third Amended and Restated Credit Agreement" shall mean that certain Third Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated as of July 21, 2015 (as at any time amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified) pursuant to which, by and among Sears Roebuck Acceptance CorporationCorp. and Kmart Corporation, as borrowers, entered into two senior secured term loan facilities as well as a \$1.5 billion asset-based revolving credit facility with a syndicate of lenders, and Sears Holdings CorporationSHC, Bank of America, N.A., as administrative agent, co-collateral agent and swingline lender, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association as co-collateral agent, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association as syndication agent, PNC Bank, National Association, Siemens Financial Services, Inc., Ally Bank and Citigroup Global Markets Inc. as co-documentation agents, Merrill Lynch Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as joint lead arrangers, and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, PNC Bank, National Association and Citigroup Global Markets Inc. as joint bookrunners-pursuant to which Third Amended and Restated Credit Agreement Sears Roebuck Acceptance Corp. and Kmart Corporation entered into two senior secured term loan facilities as well as a \$1.5 billion asset-based revolving credit facility with a syndicate of lenders.

"Title Company" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.9.

"Titled Property" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.9.

"Trademarks" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of Intellectual Property.

"Transaction Documents" shall mean this Agreement and any other agreements, instruments or documents entered into pursuant to this Agreement.

"Transactions" shall mean the transactions contemplated to be consummated by this Agreement and the Transaction Documents, including the purchase and sale of the Designation Rights and the Acquired Assets and the assumption of the Assumed Liabilities provided for in this Agreement.

"Transfer Taxes" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.3(a)Section 9.3(b).

"Transferred Employees" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.7(a).

"<u>UCC</u>" shall mean the Uniform Commercial Code as from time to time in effect in the State of Delaware.

"Wally Marks" shall mean the name "WALLY" and any name consisting of, containing or incorporating "WALLY", and all designs and logos associated therewith, in each case, together with all variations thereof; and all Trademarks, Business Names, Domain Names and Media Accounts consisting of, containing or incorporating any of the foregoing.

"WARN Act" shall mean the Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act of 1988, as amended, any similar Law (including any similar local, state or non-U.S. notice requirement relating to the termination of employees), and the rules and regulations thereunder.

"Warranty Receivables" shall mean those certain accounts receivable set forth on Schedule 1.1[•](1).

"Warranty Receivables Shortfall Amount" shall mean an amount equal to \$53,600,000 less the amount of the Warranty Receivables delivered to Buyer at Closing.

"Weatherbeater Marks" shall mean the name "WEATHERBEATER" and any name consisting of, containing or incorporating "WEATHERBEATER", and all designs and logos associated therewith, in each case, together with all variations thereof; and all Trademarks, Business Names, Domain Names and Media Accounts consisting of, containing or incorporating any of the foregoing.

Section 1.2 Other Definitions and Interpretive Matters.

- (a) Unless otherwise indicated to the contrary in this Agreement by the context or use thereof:
 - (i) When calculating the period of time before which, within which or following which any act is to be done or step taken pursuant to this Agreement, the date that is the reference date in calculating such period shall be excluded. If the last day of such period is a day other than a Business Day, the period in question shall end on the next succeeding Business Day.
 - (ii) Any reference in this Agreement to "dollars" or "\$" means U.S. dollars.
 - (iii) Unless the context otherwise requires, all capitalized terms used in the Exhibits and Schedules shall have the respective meanings assigned in this Agreement. No reference to or disclosure of any item or other matter in the Exhibits and Schedules shall be construed as an admission or indication that such item or other matter is material or that such item or other matter is required to be referred to or disclosed in the Exhibits and Schedules. No disclosure in the Exhibits and Schedules relating to any possible breach or violation of any Contract or Law shall be construed as an admission or indication that any such breach or violation exists or has actually occurred. Solely to the

extent any Schedule is related to any representation or warranty contained in this Agreement, any information, item or other disclosure set forth in any Schedule shall be deemed to have been set forth in all other applicable Schedules relating to representations or warranties contained in this Agreement if the relevance of such disclosure to such other Schedule is reasonably apparent on the face of such disclosure. All Exhibits and Schedules attached or annexed hereto or referred to herein are hereby incorporated in and made a part of this Agreement as if set forth in full herein.

- (iv) Any reference in this Agreement to gender includes all genders, and words importing the singular number also include the plural and vice versa.
- (v) The provision of a table of contents, the division of this Agreement into Articles, Sections and other subdivisions and the insertion of headings are for convenience of reference only and shall not affect or be utilized in the construction or interpretation of this Agreement. All references in this Agreement to any "Section," "Article," "Schedule," or "Exhibit" are to the corresponding Section, Article, Schedule, or Exhibit of or to this Agreement unless otherwise specified.
- (vi) Words such as "herein," "hereof" and "hereunder" refer to this Agreement as a whole and not merely to a subdivision in which such words appear, unless the context otherwise requires.
- (vii) The word "extent" and the phrase "to the extent" when used in this Agreement shall mean the degree to which a subject or other thing extends, and such word or phrase shall not merely mean "if."
- (viii) The word "including" or any variation thereof means "including, without limitation," and shall not be construed to limit any general statement that it follows to the specific or similar items or matters immediately following it.
- (ix) References to "any" shall mean "any and all," and "or" is used in the inclusive sense of "and/or."
- (b) No Strict Construction. Buyer, on the one hand, and Sellers, on the other hand, participated jointly in the negotiation and drafting of this Agreement, and, in the event an ambiguity or question of intent or interpretation arises, this Agreement shall be construed as jointly drafted by Buyer, on the one hand, and Sellers, on the other hand, and no presumption or burden of proof shall arise favoring or disfavoring any Party by virtue of the authorship of any provision of this Agreement. Without limitation as to the foregoing, no rule of strict construction construing ambiguities against the draftsperson shall be applied against any Person with respect to this Agreement.

ARTICLE II

PURCHASE AND SALE

- Section 2.1 <u>Purchase and Sale of the Acquired Assets.</u> Upon the terms and subject to the conditions of this Agreement, and subject to <u>Section 2.6</u> and <u>Article V</u> with respect to the Designation Rights and Designatable Leases, and <u>Section 2.7(d)</u>, <u>Section 2.9</u> and <u>Article V</u> with respect to Additional Contracts, on the Closing Date, Sellers shall sell, transfer, assign, convey and deliver, or cause to be sold, transferred, assigned, conveyed and delivered, to Buyer or the applicable Assignee, and Buyer or such applicable Assignee shall purchase, all right, title and interest of Sellers, in, to or under all assets, properties and rights Related to the Business other than the Excluded Assets, and the following assets, properties and rights (collectively, the "Acquired Assets") free and clear of any and all Encumbrances of any kind, nature or description (including any rights and interests under any Excluded IP Licenses) and any Claims, in each case other than Permitted Post-Closing Encumbrances and except as set forth on Schedule 6.10(b)(i):
 - (a) the Assigned Agreements and the Designation Rights;
 - (b) all Acquired Lease Rights;
 - (c) all Owned Real Property;
- (d) all Acquired Inventory, all Acquired Receivables, all Acquired Equipment and all Acquired Improvements;
- all Intellectual Property owned (whether solely or jointly with others) by Sellers, including (i) the Sears Marks, the Kmart Marks, the Shop Your Way Marks, the ServiceLive Marks, the PartsDirect Marks, the Wally Marks, the Smart Sense Marks, the Weatherbeater Marks, the Kenmore Marks registered or applied for outside of the United States and the DieHard Marks registered or applied for outside of the United States, (ii) the Trademarks, listed on Schedule 2.1(a)(i) attached hereto, (iii) the Business Names listed on Schedule 2.1(a)(ii) attached hereto, (iv) the Patents listed on Schedule 2.1(a)(iii) attached hereto, (v) the Copyrights listed on Schedule 2.1(a)(iv) attached hereto, (vi) the Domain Names listed on Schedule 2.1(a)(v) attached hereto, (vii) the Media Accounts listed on Schedule 2.1(a)(vi) attached hereto and (viii) all Intellectual Property that constitutes "Collateral" as defined in the Intellectual Property Security Agreement (collectively, the "Acquired Intellectual Property"), in each case of the foregoing together with the rights (A) to sue and recover damages and obtain equitable relief for past, present and future infringement, misappropriation, dilution or other violation thereof, (B) to collect past and future royalties and other payments thereunder, (C) to claim priority thereon under any Law, (D) to prosecute, register, maintain and defend such Intellectual Property before any public or private agency, office or registrar and (E) to fully and entirely stand in the place of Sellers, as applicable, in all matters related thereto; for the avoidance of doubt, Buyer and Sellers hereby acknowledge and agree that as of the Closing Date, Buyer shall be the successor in interest to each of the businesses of Sellers to which the Trademarks included in the Acquired Intellectual Property pertain, and such businesses shall be ongoing and existing;

- (f) all goodwill and other intangible assets associated with or connected to the Business or symbolized by any of the Acquired Intellectual Property and all goodwill of the businesses in which the Trademarks and Business Names included in the Acquired Intellectual Property are used and all goodwill connected with the use of and symbolized by the foregoing;
- (g) (i) all data owned or controlled (meaning any data Sellers have the ability to transfer in compliance with applicable Law) by any of the Sellers and contained in Sellers' IT Systems, data centers or databases stored by third parties on behalf of Sellers or otherwise collected, accessed, acquired, stored, protected, used, re-used or otherwise processed by or on behalf of a Seller to the extent the sale or transfer of such data is not in contravention with applicable Law or any of any Seller's applicable privacy policies or contractual restrictions, (ii) Customer Data to the extent the sale or transfer of such Customer Data is not in contravention with applicable Law or any of any Seller's applicable privacy policies or contractual restrictions and (iii) all other data that constitutes "Collateral" as defined in the Intellectual Property Security Agreement, to the extent the sale or transfer of such data is not in contravention with applicable Law or any of any Seller's applicable privacy policies or contractual restrictions (the data described in this clause (iii), together with the data described in clauses (i) and (ii), the "Acquired Data");
- (h) any Claims, causes of action, claims, rights of recovery or rights of set-off arising under any IP Licenses included in the Assigned Agreements on or after the Closing Date, and the right to collect past and future royalties and other payments, as well as prepaid expenses of Sellers thereunder;
- (i) any and all real (including real estate taxes, assessments and related governmental impositions both general and special imposed under the laws of any one or more jurisdictions in which the applicable Lease Premises is located against the land, buildings and other improvements), personal and intangible property Taxes ("Property Taxes") that are prepaid with respect to such Acquired Lease or any other related Acquired Assets; provided, that such Property Taxes are Assumed Liabilities or Liabilities for which Buyer is otherwise responsible hereunder;
- (j) any interest in or right to any refund, rebate or credit of Taxes that are Assumed Liabilities or for which Buyer is otherwise responsible hereunder including (for the avoidance of doubt) any such refund, rebate or credit of a Tax that becomes payable or available to Sellers in the future in respect of a Tax previously paid or otherwise incurred by Buyer pursuant to Section 3.5;
- (k) all rights (but not obligations) of Sellers under any non-disclosure or confidentiality, non-compete or non-solicitation agreements, to the extent any such agreement relates to the Business or any Acquired Asset;
 - (l) all assignable Assigned Plans and Permits that are Related to the Business;

- (m) any and all Books and Records (which, with respect to any electronic forms thereof, may be copies) and any and all Intellectual Property Related Documentation;
- (n) all Labeling and Marketing Materials and Product Catalogs and Manuals owned by Sellers;
- (o) any and all rights of Sellers in and to any restricted cash, security deposits, letters of credit, escrow deposits and cash collateral, including cash collateral given to obtain or maintain letters of credit and cash drawn or paid on letters of credit, utility deposits, performance, payment or surety bonds, credits, allowance, prepaid rent or other assets, charges, setoffs, prepaid expenses, other prepaid items and other security (collectively, "Security Deposits"), together with all contracts, agreements or documents evidencing or related to the same (collectively, "Security Deposit Documents"), in each case to the extent related to any Acquired Asset;
- (p) any and all Claims (other than returns of merchandise for warranty claims (except, for the avoidance of doubt, to the extent comprising Assumed Liabilities) and excluding any Claims Related to an Excluded Asset or Excluded Liability) of Sellers as of the Closing to the extent related to the Business or any Acquired Asset;
- (q) subject to Section 5.1(a)(v), Section 5.1(a)(vi), and Section 9.8(c) and Section 12.3, any and all insurance proceeds, warranty proceeds, condemnation awards or other compensation in respect of loss or damage to the Business or any Acquired Asset, (A) to the extent occurring on or after the date hereof, and all right and claim of Sellers to any such insurance proceeds, warranty proceeds, condemnation awards or other compensation not paid by (x) Closing, in the case of the Acquired Assets, or (ii) the applicable Assumption Effective Date, in the case of the Assigned Agreements and (B) to be remitted to Buyer in accordance with Section 12.3;
 - (r) <u>subject to Section 9.14</u>, the KCD Notes from Sears Re as Seller;
- all equity interests held in SRC O.P. LLC from SRC Sparrow 2 LLC as Seller; provided, that if either (i) SRC Sparrow 2 LLC has filed a petition for relief commencing a case under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code for the purpose of selling such equity interests in SRC O.P. LLC, and Buyer or its Affiliate has purchased such equity interests pursuant to a chapter 11 plan of reorganization or a sale of assets pursuant to section 363(m) of the Bankruptcy Code or (ii) Buyer shall have acquired the Sparrow Properties pursuant to foreclosure, then Buyer shall be deemed to have purchased the equity interests in SRC O.P. LLC described in this subsection (s);
- (t) all Actions and other rights, rebates, refunds, audits, rights of recovery, rights of setoff, rights of recoupment, rights of reimbursement, rights of indemnity or contribution and other similar rights (known and unknown, matured and unmatured, accrued or contingent, regardless of whether such rights are currently exercisable) against any Person, including all warranties, representations, guarantees, indemnities and other contractual claims (express, implied or otherwise), in each case to the extent related to the Business or any Acquired Asset

(excluding for the avoidance of doubt, any Claims arising under any Transaction Document), inexcluding, for the avoidance of doubt, the indemnities set forth in Section 6.08(b) and Section 6.08(e) of the SHIP Purchase Agreement and Section 11(a) of Exhibit E of the SHIP Purchase Agreement;

- (u) all Contracts Related to the Business (i) that include a manufacturer's warranty relating to Seller Products or Seller Services and (ii) relating to repair services provided by the Business in relation to Seller Products or Seller Services;
 - (v) the Buyer Party Release; and
- (w) all assets, properties and rights that constitute "Collateral" as defined in the Intellectual Property Security Agreement; other than data which is the subject of Section 2.1(g); and Intellectual Property which is the subject of Section 2.1(e);
 - (x) the right to receive the Pending Inventory;
 - (y) the Credit Card Claims;
- (z) all equity interests held by Sellers in Sears, Roebuck de Mexico, S. A. de C.V., a corporation duly incorporated under the laws of the United Mexican States;
- (aa) (z) to the extent permitted by Law, all licenses or permits granted by any Governmental Authority held by Sellers that are necessary for the provision or assumption of the PA Liabilities; and
- (bb) (aa) any proceeds from the sale or other disposition of the collateral pledged to secure the applicable debt obligations with respect to the credit bids set forth in Section 3.1(b) to which the holders of Claims secured by such collateral has attached.
- Section 2.2 <u>Excluded Assets</u>. Nothing contained herein shall be deemed to sell, transfer, assign, convey or deliver, or cause to be sold, transferred, assigned, conveyed or delivered, any right, title or interest of Sellers in, to or under the Excluded Assets. "<u>Excluded</u> Assets" shall mean:
 - (a) any Contract that is not an Assigned Agreement;
- (b) any lease, sublease or similar agreement that is not a Lease and any Designatable Lease that is not designated for assumption by the Seller and assignment to Buyer pursuant to the terms of this Agreement;
- (c) any real property interest of any kind or nature that is not Related to Owned Real
 Property or the Assigned Leases;
 - (d) all Excluded Inventory, all Excluded Equipment and all Excluded Improvements;

- (e) this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents;
- (f) except as otherwise expressly included as Acquired Assets, all cash and cash equivalents, including checks, commercial paper, treasury bills, certificates of deposit and other bank deposits;
 - (g) the Retained Books and Records;
- (h) any interest in or right to any refund, rebate or credit of Excluded Asset-Reorganization Taxes (including, for the avoidance of doubt, with respect to any Taxes for which Sellers remain liable); provided, however, that if Buyer makes the election under Section 2.12(b) to treat all the transactions described in this Article II as Designated Sale Transactions (resulting in no transfer of Sellers' Tax attributes to Buyer), then this Section 2.2(h) shall also include any interest in or right to any refund, rebate or credit of Excluded Asset-Sale Taxes;
- (i) all Claims and Proceedings of Sellers (other than Claims described in Section 2.1(p));
 - (j) all Avoidance Actions;
 - (k) the Excluded IT;
- (l) except as otherwise expressly included as Acquired Assets, all shares of capital stock or other equity interests of any Seller or Subsidiary of the Seller or securities convertible into or exchangeable or exercisable for shares of capital stock or other equity interests of any Seller, Subsidiary of the Seller or any other Person;
- (m) all Employee Plans, including any assets, trust agreements or other funding Contracts related thereto;
 - (n) any accounts receivable other than the Acquired Receivables; and
 - (o) the SHIP Purchase Agreement Assets.
- Section 2.3 <u>Assumption of Liabilities</u>. Upon the terms and subject to the conditions of this Agreement, on the Closing Date Buyer, or the applicable Assignee, shall assume, effective as of the Closing, and shall timely perform and discharge in accordance with their respective terms, the following Liabilities (collectively, the "Assumed Liabilities"):
- (a) all Liabilities of the Seller or any of its Subsidiaries arising out of the ownership of the Acquired Assets or operation of the Business or the Acquired Assets on or after the Closing Date that are Related to any Acquired Asset;
- (b) all Liabilities arising on or after the Closing Date or Designation Assignment Date, as applicable, relating to the payment or performance of obligations with respect to the Assigned Agreements;

- (c) all Liabilities arising on or after the Closing Date from or related to any Claim, Action, arbitration, audit, hearing, investigation, suit, litigation or other proceeding (whether civil, criminal, administrative, investigative, or informal and whether pending or threatened or having any other status) arising out of the Assumed Liabilities, the Acquired Assets or the operation of the Business on or after the Closing Date (but not prior to the Closing Date) or relating to facts, actions, omissions, circumstances or conditions existing, occurring or accruing on or after the Closing Date (but not prior to the Closing Date) that are Related to the Acquired Assets or the Assumed Liabilities;
- (d) Buyer's obligation to pay the Buyer Occupancy Expenses during the Designation Rights Period as provided in Section 5.1(b)Costs;
- (e) <u>subject to Section 9.14</u>, all Liabilities for warranties and protection agreements or other services contracts (other than warranties relating to Intellectual Property) for the goods and services of Sellers sold or performed prior to the Closing (the "<u>PA Liabilities</u>") as to which the holder of such warranty, protection or services contract has submitted a duly completed affirmance of such holder's rights in such warranty, protection or services contract on or prior to the date that is two-hundred and seventy (270) days following the Closing Date;³
 - (f) all Assumed Customer Credits;
 - (g) all Cure Costs solely with respect to the Assigned Agreements;
- (h) all Excluded Asset-Sale Taxes (except if otherwise provided in Section 2.4(i) hereof);
- (i) all Liabilities resulting from actions or inactions taken by the Sellers or any Affiliate of Sellers in compliance with Section 9.2;
- (j) all Liabilities with respect to the Transferred Employees (i) to the extent arising as a result of an event, action or omission that occurs on or following the Closing and or expressly assumed by Buyer and its Subsidiaries pursuant to Section 9.7;
- (k) the Severance Reimbursement Obligations, Assumed 503(b)(9) Liabilities, Other Payables and all payment obligations with respect to the Ordered Inventory; provided, that:
 - (i) (A) Buyer shall not be required to make any payments with respect to any Liability described in this clause (k) until the later of (1) the date that is 270 days

³⁻ Note to Sellers: Buyer requests an opportunity to discuss affirmance process with respect to assumed protection agreements with SHS management.

Note to Buyer: This section is subject to Seller's further review. In particular, if Buyer retains hard caps on the administrative liabilities, it should not be permitted to reduce assumed administrative liabilities if there is a "shortfall".

following the Closing Date and (2) the date on which a chapter 11 plan of reorganization is confirmed by the Bankruptcy Court with respect to the Debtors;

- (ii) Buyer's obligations with respect to the Severance Reimbursement Obligations shall not exceed \$43,000,000 in the aggregate;
- (iii) Buyer's obligations with respect to the Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims shall not exceed \$139,000,000 in the aggregate;
- (iv) Buyer's obligations with respect to the Other Payables shall not exceed \$166,000,000 in the aggregate;
- (v) [In the event that the Aggregate DIP Shortfall Amount is a positive number, Buyer's obligations to assume the Liabilities described in this clause (k) shall be reduced dollar for dollar by the Aggregate DIP Shortfall Amount in the following order, until the aggregate amount of all such reductions is equal to the Aggregate DIP Shortfall Amount: first, the Severance Reimbursement Obligations, second, the Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims and third, the Other Payables. The allocation of any reduction determined in accordance with the previous sentence of (A) the amount of the Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims among any specific Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims and (B) the amount of the Other Payables among any specific Other Payables shall be determined by Buyer in its sole discretion;
- (vi) In the event that the Specified Receivables Shortfall Amount is a positive number, Buyer's obligations to assume Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims shall be reduced dollar for dollar by the Specified Receivables Shortfall Amount. The allocation of any reduction determined in accordance with the previous sentence of the amount of the Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims among any specific Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims shall be determined by Buyer in its sole discretion;
- (vii) In the event that the Warranty Receivables Shortfall Amount is a positive number, Buyer's obligations to assume Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims shall be reduced dollar for dollar by the Warranty Receivables Shortfall Amount. The allocation of any reduction determined in accordance with the previous sentence of the amount of the Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims among any specific Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims shall be determined by Buyer in its sole discretion;
- (viii) In the event that the Ordered Inventory Shortfall Amount is a positive number, Buyer's obligations to assume Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims shall be reduced dollar for dollar by the Ordered Inventory Shortfall Amount. The allocation of any reduction determined in accordance with the previous sentence of the amount of the Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims among any specific Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims shall be determined by Buyer in its sole discretion; and
- (ix) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein or in the Approval Order, and for the avoidance of doubt, the Buyer's agreement to pay Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims,

Specified Payables, or any other administrative or priority claim of the Sellers pursuant to the terms hereof is a general unsecured contractual obligation of the Buyer owed solely to the Sellers.

- (1) the Assumed Property Tax Liabilities; and
- (m) all Liabilities relating to amounts required to be paid by Buyer under the Transaction Documents-; and
- (n) all Liabilities arising prior to, at or after the Closing Date under or pursuant to any Environmental Law relating to the presence of Hazardous Substances at, on, in, under or migrating to or from any Acquired Asset.
- Section 2.4 <u>Excluded Liabilities</u>. None of Buyer, any Affiliate of Buyer or any Assignee shall assume, be deemed to assume or become obligated hereunder in any way to pay or perform (whether as a successor to any Seller or otherwise) any Liabilities of any Sellers or any of their respective Affiliates of any kind or nature, known, unknown, contingent or otherwise, whether direct or indirect, matured or unmatured, other than the Assumed Liabilities, (the foregoing including the following, the "<u>Excluded Liabilities</u>") which shall include the following Liabilities:
- (a) all Liabilities of the Seller or any of its Subsidiaries arising out of the ownership of the Acquired Assets or operation of the Business or the Acquired Assets prior to the Closing Date other than Cure Costs, the Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims, Severance Reimbursement Obligations, and Ordered Inventory;
- (b) all Liabilities (i) relating to the payment or performance of obligations arising solely out of facts or circumstances in existence prior to the Closing Date or Designation Assignment Date, as applicable, with respect to the Assigned Agreements or (ii) disclosed on or required to be disclosed on any Schedule;
- (c) all Liabilities arising from or related to any claim, Action, arbitration, audit, hearing, investigation, suit, litigation or other proceeding (whether civil, criminal, administrative, investigative, or informal and whether pending or threatened or having any other status) arising out of the Assumed Liabilities, the Acquired Assets or the operation of the Business prior to the Closing Date or relating to facts, actions, omissions, circumstances or conditions existing, occurring or accruing prior to the Closing Date against any Seller or its Affiliates;
- (d) all Liabilities to the extent arising prior to the Closing Date or arising from or related to the operation of a Seller's business or any of Sellers' products or services, including any Liability relating to (i) design or manufacturing defects (whenever discovered) and (ii) warranties, product liability, safety or other Liability, in the cases of clauses (i) and (ii), relating to any product sold or manufactured by any Seller or any of its Affiliates;

- (e) all Liabilities in respect of any indebtedness of any Seller or guaranty obligations relating to any such <u>funded</u> <u>I</u><u>indebtedness</u> of any Seller;
- (f) all Liabilities (i) under the Employee Plans, including all Liabilities in respect of (A) any compensation earned by any Business Employee or otherwise accrued or payable to or with respect to any Business Employee prior to the Closing, unless expressly assumed by Buyer pursuant to Section 9.7, and (B) any Taxes related thereto, (ii) relating to all current and former employees of Seller and Service Providers and its Subsidiaries (including the Business Employees) to the extent arising as a result of an event, action or omission that occurs prior to the Closing, and (iii) those Liabilities relating to the Transferred Employees expressly retained by Seller pursuant to Section 9.7;
- (g) except as otherwise provided for in Section 2.3(n), all Liabilities of the Seller or any of its Subsidiaries relating to (i) fines or penalties arising from noncompliance with Environmental Laws occurring prior to the Closing Date, including (iii) Claims for personal injury or property damage related to exposure occurring prior to the Closing Date to Hazardous Substances present at, on, in, under or migrating to or from any Acquired Asset or (iii) the offsite disposal of Hazardous Substances occurring prior to the Closing Date;
 - (h) any Excluded Asset-Reorganization Taxes;
- (i) if (A) Buyer makes the election under Section 2.12(b) to treat all the transactions described in this Article II as Designated Sale Transactions (resulting in no transfer of Sellers' Tax attributes to Buyer) or if (B) the Internal Revenue Service successfully asserts (for which assertion there is a final determination), that none of Sellers' Tax attributes transferred to Buyer, Excluded Asset-Sale Taxes (but in the case of clause (B) in respect of a Tax arising in any period prior to any such final determination, only to the extent Sellers actually obtain a refund or other current economic Tax reduction in respect of the applicable Taxes); provided, however, that Excluded Asset-Sale Taxes shall not be an Excluded Liability if the Internal Revenue Service successfully asserts that a transfer of any such Tax attributes to Buyer shall have occurred notwithstanding such Buyer election;
- (j) all Liabilities with respect to any brokerage or finders' fees or agents' commissions or other similar payment in connection with the Transactions incurred by any Seller;
- (k) all Liabilities under this Agreement or any documents or instruments executed and delivered by Seller and its Affiliates pursuant to this Agreement;
- (l) all Liabilities relating to or arising, whether before, on or after the Closing Date or, subject to Article V, any applicable Designation Assignment Date, out of, or in connection with, the Excluded Assets;
- (m) all Liabilities in respect of any gift cards, gift certificates, merchandise credits, return credits, customer membership or customer loyalty discount programs, coupons, groupons

or other similar credits or programs issued by, on behalf of or in relation to Sellers other than the Assumed Customer Credits;

- (n) all Liabilities related to or arising from, whether before, on or after the Closing Date, use by Sellers of any of the Trademarks or Business Names included in the Acquired Intellectual Property pursuant to Section 9.10;
- (o) except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, all Liabilities for the rejection of any Contract to which a Seller is a party;
 - (p) the SHIP Purchase Agreement Liabilities; and
- (q) other than Cure Costs, accounts payable incurred in the Ordinary Course of Business existing on the Closing Date (including (i) invoiced amounts payable and (ii) accrued but uninvoiced accounts payable).

For the avoidance of doubt, all Taxes of any Seller shall be Assumed Liabilities, regardless of the time and circumstances giving rise to any such Taxes, except for any Tax expressly excluded under Section 2.2(h) or Section 2.4(i).

- Year-End Adjustments. For the avoidance of doubt, notwithstanding Section 2.5 anything to the contrary set forth in this Agreement, neither Buyer nor any Assignee shall have any obligations in respect of any portion of any year-end (or other) adjustment (including for royalties, rents, utilities, Taxes, insurance, fees, any common area or other maintenance charges, promotional funds and percentage rent) arising under any of the Acquired Leases or any other Assigned Agreements for the calendar year in which the applicable Lease Assignment occurs that is attributable to (x) the portion of such calendar year occurring prior to such Lease Assignment or (y) any previous calendar year, and Sellers shall fully indemnify and hold harmless Buyer and the applicable Assignee with respect thereto. Buyer shall be solely responsible for any of the matters described in the preceding sentence for the portion of the calendar year in which the Closing Date occurs following each applicable Lease Assignment and all subsequent calendar years, and Buyer shall fully indemnify and hold Sellers harmless with respect thereto. Following the applicable Lease Assignment Date, except as expressly set forth in this Agreement or the Approval Order, Sellers shall have no further liabilities or obligations with respect to each of the Acquired Leases and the other Assigned Agreements (including obligations related to royalties rents, utilities, Taxes, insurance and common area maintenance, regardless of when due and payable), and Sellers shall be released from all such obligations and Buyer shall indemnify and hold harmless Sellers with respect thereto.
- Section 2.6 <u>Purchase and Sale of Designation Rights</u>. Upon the terms and subject to the conditions of this Agreement and the Approval Order, on the Closing Date, Sellers shall sell, transfer, assign and convey, or cause to be sold, transferred, assigned and conveyed, to Buyer, and Buyer shall purchase from Sellers, the Designation Rights. For the avoidance of doubt, the sale, transfer, assignment and conveyance of the Designation Rights provided for herein on the Closing Date shall not effectuate a sale, transfer, assignment or conveyance of any Designatable Lease to Buyer or any other Assignee, which shall only be effectuated on a Designation

Assignment Date; <u>provided</u>, that, notwithstanding the foregoing, Buyer shall be responsible for all Expenses arising under or related to any Designatable Lease from and after the Closing Date until, if applicable, the rejection of such Designatable Lease in accordance with this Agreement. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, the Approval Order and the requirements of section 365(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, Buyer shall have the right to designate itself or, with the consent of Seller, any other Person as the Assignee to which a Designatable Lease is to be assumed and assigned. The Designation Rights shall terminate upon the expiration of the Designation Rights Period.

Section 2.7 Assignments.

(a) Potential Assigned Transferred Agreements.

- (i) <u>Schedule 2.7(a)</u> contains a list of all Potential <u>Assigned Transferred</u> Agreements (including, to the extent in the possession or control of any Seller, the <u>material</u> underlying agreements). Subject to section <u>363365</u> of the Bankruptcy Code, Buyer may elect to have the Potential <u>Assigned Transferred</u> Agreements <u>assigned to Buyer or</u> assumed by Seller and assigned to Buyer on the applicable Assumption Effective Date (which shall be deemed to be "<u>Assigned Agreements</u>" in accordance with the definition thereof). At Buyer's reasonable request, Seller shall make reasonably available to Buyer the appropriate employees of Seller necessary to discuss the Potential <u>Assigned Transferred</u> Agreements.
- (ii) AsTo the extent a Potential Transferred Agreement is an executory contract or lease, as soon as practicable after the date hereof, Seller shall file a notice of assignment and assumption (an "Agreement Assignment Notice") with the Bankruptcy Court and serve such notice via electronic or first class mail on each counterparty to a Potential Assigned Transferred Agreement that is an executory contract or lease, consistent with the terms of the Bidding Procedures Order. The Agreement Assignment Notice shall identify all Potential Assigned Transferred Agreements of Sellers that are executory contracts or leases and related to the Acquired Assets that Sellers believe may be assigned or assumed and assigned in connection with the sale of the Acquired Assets and set forth a good faith estimate of the amount of the Cure Costs applicable to each such Contract (and if no Cure Cost is estimated to be applicable with respect to any particular Contract, the amount of such Cure Cost designated for such Contract shall be "\$0.00").

(b) Initial Assigned Agreements.

(i) As soon as practicable after delivery of the list of Potential Assigned Transferred Agreements by the Seller but no later than five (5) Business Days following such delivery, Buyer shall deliver to the Seller a list of those Potential Assigned Transferred Agreements proposed to be assigned to Buyer or assumed by Seller and assigned to Buyer on the Closing Date (the Contracts on such list, the "Initial Assigned Contracts", the Leases on such list (including, to the extent applicable to such Leases, all non-disturbance agreements with fee owners or senior landlords,

subordination, non-disturbance and attornment agreements, waivers and consents in favor of any Seller, estoppel certificates from landlords (to the extent assignable), and landlord waivers or other collateral access agreements in favor of any Seller or any asset-based lenders) the "Initial Assigned Leases", and together the "Initial Assigned Agreements").

- Following delivery of the list of Initial Assigned Agreements and to the extent consistent with the Bidding Procedures Order, at any time prior to the second (2nd) Business Day prior to the Closing Date, Buyer will be entitled, after consultation with the Sellers, to add (x) any Initial Assigned Agreement to the list of Excluded Assets by providing written notice thereof to Sellers, and any Initial Assigned Agreement so added will cease to be an Initial Assigned Agreement and will be deemed to be an Excluded Asset (and all Liabilities thereunder Excluded Liabilities) for all purposes hereunder or (y) any Potential Assigned Transferred Agreement to the list of Initial Assigned Agreements so long as (1) it is not a Contract to be assumed or available to be assumed pursuant to any other sale previously approved by the Bankruptcy Court in connection with the Bankruptcy Cases; and (2) it is prior to the entry of a Final Order of the Bankruptcy Court approving the rejection of such Contract, in each case subject to the non-Debtor party to such Contract receiving information evidencing Buyer's adequate assurance of future performance and having an opportunity to object consistent with the Bidding Procedures Order and the Approval Order. No change referred to in this Section 2.7(b)(i) shall reduce or increase the amount of the Purchase Price, except to the extent of any increase or decrease in the assumption of the Assumed Liabilities, including Cure Costs, as a result of the Potential Assigned Transferred Agreements being added to or removed from the list of Acquired Leases or Assigned Agreements by Buyer.
- (iii) On the Closing Date, pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code and the Approval Order, and subject to consent if applicable Law requires it, Sellers shall assume and assign to Buyer the Initial Assigned Agreements and Buyer shall pay all Cure Costs with respect to such Initial Assigned Agreements to the appropriate counterparty or establish a reserve for disputed cure amounts in accordance with the Bidding Procedures Order and Approval Order.
- (c) <u>Designatable Leases</u>. On each Assumption Effective Date, pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code and the Approval Order, Sellers shall assume and assign to the applicable Assignee any Designatable Lease so designated by Buyer for assumption and assignment in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, and Buyer shall pay all <u>or be responsible for</u> Cure Costs with respect to such Designatable Leases.
- (d) <u>Additional Contracts</u>. On each applicable Assumption Effective Date, and in no event later than the date that is five (5) Business Days following the Designation Deadline, pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, the Approval Order, and any other applicable Order, Sellers shall assume and assign to the applicable Assignee any Additional Contract that Buyer designates for assumption and assignment in accordance with <u>Section 2.9</u>, and Buyer shall pay all Cure Costs with respect to such Additional Contract and all Expenses related to or arising under such Additional Contract after the Closing Date.

(e) Adequate Assurance and Consents. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, Sellers shall not be obligated to assume and assign any Lease or Contract pursuant to this Section 2.7 with respect to which Buyer fails to satisfy the Bankruptcy Court as to adequate assurance of future performance or for which Consent is required to assume and assign such Lease or Contract and such Consent has not been obtained; provided, however, that the Parties shall use their commercially reasonable best efforts to obtain all such Consents.

Section 2.8 Further Assurances.

- (a) On and after the Closing Date, each of the Sellers and Buyer shall use its commercially reasonable efforts to further give full effect to, evidence and record the assignments, waivers, ratifications, consents and agreements granted herein, and, Sellers shall, upon Buyer's request, assist Buyer in every reasonable way to obtain, maintain, enforce and defend any rights specified to be owned by or assigned to a Seller, including by testifying in any legal Proceedings, executing all lawful papers and making all rightful oaths required or necessary to aid Buyer or its successors or assigns in obtaining and enforcing its right, title and interest in, to and under the Acquired Assets, including in connection with the IP Assignment Agreement and the Short Form Assignments and in complying with all requirements of the applicable social media sites and Domain Name registrars.
- (b) On each Designation Assignment Date, Seller shall, upon the request of Buyer or the applicable Assignee, execute and deliver to such Assignee such instruments of transfer as shall be reasonably necessary or desirable to vest in such Assignee title to the applicable Designatable Leases and related Acquired Lease Rights, Acquired Improvements and all other related Acquired Assets required hereunder to be transferred on such Designation Assignment Date (and evidence the assumption by Seller, and the assignment by Seller to the applicable Assignee, of such Designatable Leases), and Seller, on the one hand, and such Assignee, on the other hand, shall (and Buyer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause each Assignee to) take (or cause to be taken) all appropriate action, do (or cause to be done) all things necessary under applicable Law, and execute and deliver such instruments and documents, in each case as may be reasonably requested and reasonably necessary or desirable to consummate the Transactions at or after the Designation Assignment Date. In furtherance and not in limitation of the foregoing, in the event that any of the Acquired Assets shall not have been conveyed at Closing or on the applicable Designation Assignment Date, as applicable, Seller shall convey such Acquired Assets to Buyer or such Assignee, as applicable, as promptly as practicable after the Closing or on the applicable Designation Assignment Date, as applicable. As promptly as practicable following the date on which Buyer is permitted to receive Customer Data constituting "personally identifiable information" (as defined in the Bankruptcy Code) that was not transferred on the Closing Date, Seller shall deliver to Buyer a copy of the Customer Data constituting Acquired Data to an extent and in a format mutually agreeable to Seller and Buyer that is readable, useable, indexed and searchable and, if any portion of such Customer Data is encrypted, the necessary decryption tools and keys to read such materials contemporaneously.
- (c) Not later than ten (10) days prior to the Closing Date, Sellers shall instruct all of Sellers' outside counsel responsible to maintaining, prosecuting or renewing any of the Acquired Intellectual Property (i) that the ownership of the Acquired Intellectual Property will be assigned

to Buyer as of the Closing Date, (ii) to keep all Acquired Intellectual Property (as relevant to such counsel) in full force and effect, including by filing and documentation and paying any fees required therefor, (iii) to release to Buyer or counsel designated by Buyer at locations to be designated by Buyer copies of all the tangible embodiments of the Intellectual Property Related Documentation existing as of the Closing Date and in such counsel's possession, and (iv) that Buyer or counsel designated by Buyer may contact such Sellers' counsel for coordination relative to further prosecution of the Acquired Intellectual Property at Buyer's expense (such correspondence, "Seller Instructions"). Sellers shall also include in the Seller Instructions any other information that Buyer reasonably instructs Sellers to include that is communicated to Sellers prior to the Closing Date.

- (d) If after the Closing (i) Buyer or any of its Affiliates holds or is otherwise liable for any Excluded Assets or Excluded Liabilities or (ii) any Seller or any of their respective Affiliates holds any Acquired Assets or Assumed Liabilities, Buyer or the applicable Seller will, and will cause their respective controlled Affiliates to, and will use commercially reasonable efforts to cause their other Affiliates to, (including through the execution and delivery of all appropriate transfer documents) promptly transfer (or cause to be transferred) such Assets or assume, pay or reimburse (or cause to be assumed, paid or reimbursed) such Liabilities to or from (as the case may be) the other party for no additional consideration. Prior to any such transfer, the party receiving or possessing any such asset will hold it in trust for such other party.
- (e) No Seller shall take any action following the Closing to hinder relationships between Buyer and any trade counterparty of any Seller who is party to any Assigned Agreement or otherwise maintains ongoing trade relationships with Buyer following the Closing with respect to any Acquired Asset.
- Additional Contracts. If, at any time prior to the date that is sixty (60) Section 2.9 days after the Closing Date, but in no event later than May 3, 2019 (the "Designation Deadline"), Buyer so determines as to any Contract that is Related to the Acquired Assets or is an IP License, in each case but is not an Initial Assigned Contract (other than (i) any lease of non-residential real property and (ii) any Excluded Asset set forth in Section 2.2) (each, an "Additional Contract"), Buyer may elect, after consultation with the Sellers, by written notice delivered to Sellers, to designate for assignment or assumption and assignment any Additional Contract for no additional consideration. Upon the designation of any such Additional Contract as an Assigned Agreement pursuant to this Section 2.9, Sellers will use their reasonable best efforts to assume and assign to the applicable Assignee such Additional Contract so long as the Buyer pays all Cure Costs and Expenses accrued post-Closing and all Cure Costs associated with such Additional Contract; provided, however, that nothing herein shall be deemed or construed to obligate Sellers to retain, or refrain from rejecting or terminating any Lease or Contract after the Designation Deadline that does not constitute an Assigned Agreement. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, Sellers shall not be obligated to assume and assign any Contract pursuant to this Section 2.9 with respect to which Buyer fails to satisfy the Bankruptcy Court as to adequate assurance of future performance or for which Consent is required to assume and assign such Additional Contract and such Consent has not been obtained, provide that the Parties shall use their reasonable best efforts to obtain all such Consents.

Section 2.10 <u>Withholding</u>. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, Buyer shall be entitled to deduct and withhold from any amounts otherwise payable pursuant to this Agreement but only to the extent of such amounts as may be required to be deducted and withheld by Buyer with respect to the making of such payments under applicable U.S. federal, state or local or foreign laws, and any such withheld amount shall be properly paid by Buyer to the appropriate Governmental Authority. To the extent that amounts are so deducted and withheld and properly paid to the appropriate Governmental Authority, such deducted and withheld amounts shall be treated for all purposes of this Agreement as having been paid to Sellers or any other Person in respect of which such deduction and withholding was made.

Section 2.11 Rejection of Outbound IP Licenses. Prior to the Closing Date, subject to section 365(n) of the Bankruptcy Code, Sellers shall file a motion to reject, and take all actions (including actions required under section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code) reasonably necessary to reject any Outbound IP Licenses included in the Potential Assigned Transferred Agreements that (i) are executory Contracts and (ii) are not designated by Buyer for assignment or assumption and assignment as an Assigned Agreement in accordance with the terms of this Agreement or for solely assumption pursuant to Section 9.14(d). Without limiting the foregoing, promptly following the Designation Deadline, Sellers shall file a motion to reject, and take all actions (including actions required under section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code) reasonably necessary to reject, any Outbound IP Licenses that (x) are not included in the Potential Assigned Transferred Agreements, (y) are executory Contracts and (z) are not designated by Buyer for assignment or assumption and assignment as an Assigned Agreement in accordance with the terms of this Agreement or for solely assumption pursuant to Section 9.14(d).

Section 2.12 <u>Tax Reorganization</u>.

- (a) The Parties intend that the transactions set forth in this Agreement, as structured and implemented as described in Section 9.2(a), together with the Bankruptcy Plan (as defined below), will, unless and except to the extent that Buyer elects otherwise with respect to a particular Seller or Sellers pursuant to Section 2.12(b), (i) constitute one or more plans of reorganization under section 368(a) of the Code (as defined below) and (ii) as qualifying as one or more reorganizations thereunder (a "Tax Reorganization"). If Buyer does not elect pursuant to this Section 2.12(b) to treat all the transactions described in this Article II as Designated Sale Transactions (resulting in no transfer of Sellers' Tax attributes to Buyer), then Buyer and Sellers shall comply with Section 9.2.
- (b) Buyer may, at any time on or before the earlier of (i) 15 days prior to the effective date of the Bankruptcy Plan and (ii) December 1, 2019, elect, by providing to Sellers written notice of its election, to treat one or more of the transactions (each, a "Designated Sale Transaction") set forth in this Agreement as not qualifying as a Tax Reorganization, which election shall be effective unless Designated Tax Advisor cannot provide a Tax Opinion that such Designated Sale Transaction can be completed in a manner that would not be treated as a "reorganization" within the meaning of section 368 of the Code; provided, however, that in connection with any such Buyer election to treat all the transactions described in this Article II as Designated Sale Transactions (resulting in no transfer of Sellers' Tax attributes to Buyer), the pParties shall, if requested by Sellers in writing, identify a business of the Sellers that would

become part of the Excluded Assets and shall consider in good faith any other changes to the structure of the transaction that are reasonable and necessary as a commercial, bankruptcy law and other legal matter to achieve that result. Such

Each Tax Opinion shall be based on representations reasonably requested by Designated Tax Advisor to be provided by each of Buyer and Sellers in the form of a representation letter, and each such representation must continue to be true and accurate in all material respects as of immediately before such Tax Opinion is issued. To the extent requested by Designated Tax Advisor, each of Sellers and Buyer shall confirm to Designated Tax Advisor the accuracy and completeness, as of immediately before such Tax Opinion is issued, of the applicable representation letter. For the avoidance of doubt, and notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in this Agreement, (i) reliance by Sellers on any Tax Opinion requested or otherwise required pursuant to this Agreement shall not affect Buyer's liability for Taxes that are Assumed Liabilities and (ii) the inability or failure to deliver or receive any Tax Opinion requested or otherwise required pursuant to this Agreement shall not delay or in any way interfere with the consummation and closing of the Transactions. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in this Agreement, any transaction or transactions (including any transaction described in clause (B) of Section 9.2(a)) in respect of which any Tax Opinion is not or cannot be delivered as otherwise required under this Agreement (other than a Tax Opinion described in Section 2.12(b)) shall be deemed to be a Designated Sale Transaction.

(c) If Buyer does not elect pursuant to Section 2.12(b) to treat all the transactions described in this Article II as Designated Sale Transactions (resulting in no transfer of Sellers' Tax attributes to Buyer), then Buyer and Sellers shall comply with Section 9.2.

Section 2.13 Foreign Assets.

- (a) On the Closing Date, Sellers shall use reasonable best efforts to cause each of the Foreign Subsidiaries to sell, transfer, assign, convey and deliver, or cause to be sold, transferred assigned, conveyed and delivered to Buyer or the applicable Assignee, and Buyer or such applicable Assignee shall use reasonable best efforts to purchase, all right, title and interest of each of the Foreign Subsidiaries, in, to or under all assets, properties and rights Related to the Business other than the Excluded Assets and any other assets of the type that would have been Acquired Assets had they had been owned by Sellers as of the Closing Date (collectively, the "Acquired Foreign Assets"), in each case free and clear of any and all Encumbrances of any kind, nature or description and any Claims, other than Permitted Post-Closing Encumbrances. If the transfer of any Acquired Foreign Assets does not occur at the Closing Date, Seller and Buyer shall use reasonable best efforts to complete such transfer as promptly as practicable following the Closing Date and shall enter into such agreements as may be reasonably required to provide Buyer or the applicable Assignee the benefit of such assets until such transfer is consummated.
- (b) If, at any time prior to the date that is sixty (60) days after the Closing Date, but in no event later than May 3, 2019, Buyer determines (in its sole discretion) that it is necessary or desirable to acquire the equity interests of any Foreign Subsidiary so as to ensure that Buyer or the applicable Assignee shall be able to secure the benefit of the applicable Foreign Assets, Buyer may elect, by written notice delivered to Sellers, to acquire such equity interests directly from

Seller. Following any such election, Buyer and Seller shall promptly execute all documentation required to effectuate the purchase and sale of such equity interests under applicable Law.

(c) No purchase of Acquired Foreign Assets or equity interests pursuant to this Section 2.13 shall require the delivery of any additional consideration by Buyer; provided, that solely to the extent required by applicable Law, Buyer and Seller shall reasonably agree to either (a) allocate a portion of the Purchase Price to the purchase of such equity interests or (b) provide for nominal consideration to be paid by Buyer to Sellers in an amount no greater than the minimum amount required by applicable Law.

Section 2.14 Section 2.13 Bulk Transfer Law. The Parties intend that pursuant to Section 363(f) of the Bankruptcy Code, the transfer of the Acquired Assets shall be free and clear of any security interests in the Acquired Assets, including any liens or claims arising out of the bulk transfer Laws. In furtherance of the foregoing, each Party hereby waives, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable Law, compliance by the Parties with the "bulk sales," "bulk transfers" or similar Laws in all applicable jurisdictions in respect of the Transactions (including under any applicable Tax Laws).

ARTICLE III

PURCHASE PRICE

- Section 3.1 <u>Purchase Price</u>. [The aggregate purchase price for the purchase, sale, assignment and conveyance of Sellers' right, title and interest in, to and under the Acquired Assets shall consist of the following (collectively, the "Purchase Price"):
 - (a) cash in an amount (the "Closing Payment Amount") equal to:
 - (i) the Receivables Purchase Price; plus
 - (ii) the Inventory Purchase Price; plus
 - (iii) the Release Consideration; less
 - (iv) the amount of any Transfer Taxes as estimated by the Parties immediately prior to the Closingin accordance with Section 9.3(a); less
 - (v) the aggregate amount of (A) the credit bid set forth in Section 3.1(b)(ii) plus (B) the cash amount (if any) set forth in Section 3.1(c)(ii) plus (C) the credit bid with respect to the FILO Facility set forth in Section 3.1(b)(i)(B); plus (D) the cash amount (if any) with respect to the FILO Facility set forth in Section 3.1(c)(i)(B); Section 3.1(c):
- (b) subject to Bankruptcy Court approval in accordance with the Bidding Procedures Order:

- (b) (i) subject to Bankruptcy Court approval, a credit bid pursuant to Section 363(k) of the Bankruptcy Code of:
 - (i) all <u>outstanding</u> obligations held by Buyer and its Affiliates as of the Closing Date under: (A) the IP/Ground Lease Term Loan Facility; (B) the FILO Facility; and (C) the Real Estate Loan 2020, *plus*
 - (ii) a credit bid pursuant to Section 363(k) of the Bankruptey Code of obligations held by Buyer and its Affiliates as of the Closing Date under (x) the Second Lien Term Loan; (y) the Second Lien Line of Credit Facility; and (z) the Second Lien PIK Notes, in an amount equal to \$433,450,000 less the cash amount (if any) set forth in Section 3.1(c)(ii); 112

in the case of each of (i) and (ii) in exchange for the collateral pledged to secure the applicable debt obligations, and including any proceeds from the sale or other disposition of such collateral prior to the Closing Date to which the holders of Claims Liens secureding by such collateral hasdebt obligations are attached, in the same order of priority and with the same validity, force and effect that such holders had prior to the Transaction as the original Liens; plus

- (c) in the event that Buyer or its Affiliates is not the holder of all of the outstanding obligations under the IP/Ground Lease Term Loan Facility, the FILO Facility or the Real Estate Loan 2020, or a sufficient portion of the outstanding obligations under the Second Lien Line of Credit Facility to credit bid the amount set forth in Section 3.1(b)(ii), in each case as of the Closing Date, cash in the amount of:
- Buyer or its Affiliates as of the Closing Date under (A) the IP/Ground Lease Term Loan Facility (the "IP/Ground Lease Buyout Amount"); (B) the FILO Facility (the "FILO Facility Buyout Amount"); and (C) the Real Estate Loan 2020 (the "Real Estate Loan 2020 Buyout Amount") unless such lender(s) provide written confirmation to the Sellers that such cash payment and the obligations owed to lenders by the Seller under the IP/Ground Lease Term Loan Facility, the FILO Facility or the Real Estate Loan 2020, as applicable, are permanently waived and discharged against the Sellers; plus
 - (ii) the outstanding obligations (not to exceed \$433,450,000 less the amount of the credit bid set forth in Section 3.1(b)(ii)) owed to lenders other than Buyer or its Affiliates as of the Closing Date under the Second Lien Line of Credit Facility (the "Second Lien Line of Credit Facility Buyout Amount");
 - (d) the Securities Consideration;

¹² Note to Sellers: As discussed, revised Purchase Price provisions to be reflected on a schedule. Economics of purchase price components (including credit bid) remain open business points.

- (e) the Junior DIP Consideration;
- (f) the L/C Facility Consideration; and
- (g) the assumption by Buyer of the Assumed Liabilities in accordance with Section 3.5.

To the extent payable, the IP/Ground Lease Buyout Amount, the Second Lien Line of Credit Facility Buyout Amount, the FILO Facility Buyout Amount and the Real Estate Loan 2020 Buyout Amount shall each be deposited and held in separate segregated accounts of the Debtors and the Liens of the lenders other than Buyer or its Affiliates under IP/Ground Lease Term Loan Facility, the Second Lien Line of Credit Facility or the Real Estate Loan 2020, as applicable, shall attach to the cash proceeds held in the applicable designated segregated account in the same order of priority and with the same validity, force and effect that as the original Liens of such holenders had prior to the Sale Transaction, and such proceeds shall not otherwise be used by the Debtors without further order of the Bankruptcy Court;

Section 3.2 <u>Cash Deposit</u>. On or prior to January 9, 2019, Buyer paid an aggregate amount in cash equal to \$120,000,000 (the "<u>Deposit Amount</u>") by wire transfer of immediately available funds into an escrow account maintained by Citibank, N.A. as Escrow Agent. Buyer's and Sellers' right to retain the Deposit Amount in the event of a termination of this Agreement shall be governed by <u>Section 12.2(b)Section 12.2</u>.

Section 3.3 Closing Payment.

- (a) At the Closing, Buyer shall:
- (i) pay to Sellers by wire transfer of immediately available funds into one or more accounts designated by Sellers an amount in cash equal to the Closing Payment Amount *less* the Deposit Amount and the Expense Reimbursement Amount *plus* any amounts payable pursuant to Section 3.1(c); and
 - (ii) deliver the Securities Consideration to the Sellers.

Section 3.4 Inventory; Receivables.

(a) [Commencing at 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on a date or dates that the Parties shall mutually agree in writing (but in no event earlier than ten (10) Business Days prior to the Closing or later than two (2) Business Days prior to the Closing) (the date of such inventory taking, the "Inventory Date"), a physical count of the Acquired Inventory, and calculation of the value thereof, shall be made by a nationally-recognized, independent inventory service (the "Inventory Taker") selected and engaged by Sellers and approved by Buyer (such approval not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed). The Inventory Taker will conduct the physical inventory in accordance with instructions set forth in Schedule 3.4(a) and otherwise in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Section 3.4. Each Party shall be entitled to have Representatives

present during the inventory and the fees and expenses of the Inventory Taker shall be borne fifty percent (50%) by Buyer and fifty percent (50%) by Sellers. The physical inventory shall not include the Excluded Inventory.

- (b) The complete inventory prepared by the Inventory Taker shall be prepared in accordance with the usual and customary practices of the industry and shall show the total Cost Value of the Acquired Inventory determined in the manner provided in accordance with Schedule 3.4(a). In the event that the Parties do not agree on the value of any Acquired Inventory because the Parties disagree as to whether certain items should be counted as Excluded Inventory or as to the relevant Cost Value of any Acquired Inventory, the opinion of the Inventory Taker shall be final and binding. 113
- Section 3.5 <u>Discharge of Assumed Liabilities After Closing</u>. From and after the later of the Closing or the applicable Assumption Effective Date, Buyer shall pay, perform, discharge and satisfy the Assumed Liabilities from time to time and as such Assumed Liabilities become due and payable or are required to be performed, discharged or satisfied, in each case in accordance with their respective terms.

ARTICLE IV

CLOSING

Closing Date. The closing of the sale, transfer, assignment, conveyance and delivery of the Designation Rights and Sellers' right, title and interest in, to and under the Acquired Assets by Sellers to Buyer contemplated hereby (the "Closing") shall take place at the offices of Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP, 767 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10153, or at such other place or time as Buyer and Sellers may mutually agree, on the fifth (5th) Business Day following satisfaction or waiver of the conditions set forth in Article X and Article XI (other than those conditions that by their nature are to be satisfied by actions taken at the Closing, but subject to the satisfaction or waiver of such conditions at the Closing). Notwithstanding the immediately preceding sentence, if the Marketing Period has not ended at the time of the satisfaction or waiver of the conditions set forth in Article X and Article XI (other than those conditions that by their nature are to be satisfied by actions taken at the Closing, but subject to the satisfaction or waiver of such conditions at the Closing), then the Closing shall occur instead on the date that is the earlier to occur of (x) any Business Day as may be specified by Buyer on no less than two (2) Business Days' prior written notice to Sellers and (y) threetwo (32) Business Days following the final day of the Marketing Period. The date and time at which the Closing actually occurs is referred to as the "Closing Date."

Section 4.2 <u>Buyer's Deliveries</u>. At the Closing, Buyer shall deliver to Sellers:

Note to Draft: Inventory Taking section to be revised to match SHC procedures consistent with borrowing base calculations.

- (a) the Closing Payment Amount *less* the Deposit Amount and the Expense Reimbursement Amount in accordance with Section 3.3;
 - (b) the Securities Consideration;
- (c) the certificates of Buyer to be received by Sellers pursuant to <u>Sections 11.1</u> and 11.2;
 - (d) the Occupancy Agreement, duly executed by Buyer;
 - (e) the Management and Services Agreement, duly executed by Buyer; and
- (f) such assignments and other good and sufficient instruments of assumption and transfer, in form reasonably satisfactory to Sellers and Buyer, which are reasonably requested by Seller to (i) transfer to Buyer all the right, title and interest of Sellers in, to or under the Acquired Assets to be acquired on the Closing Date in accordance with this Agreement and (ii) properly give effect to Buyer's assumption of all of the Assumed Liabilities in accordance with this Agreement.

Section 4.3 Sellers' Deliveries. At the Closing, Sellers shall deliver to Buyer:

- (a) a copy of the Approval Order entered by the Bankruptcy Court;
- (b) the certificates of Sellers to be received by Buyer pursuant to $\underline{\text{Sections } 10.1}$ and $\underline{10.2}$;
- (c) a certificate of non-foreign status executed by each Seller (or, if a Seller is a disregarded entity for U.S. federal income Tax purposes, by the Person treated as the owner of such Seller for U.S. federal income Tax purposes) [that is a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code]⁴¹⁴, substantially in the form of the sample certification in Treasury Regulations Section 1.1445-2(b)(2)(iv)(B);
- (d) to the extent required in connection with any third party financing of the Transaction secured by Buyer, all such affidavits, certificates and other instruments as may be required by a nationally recognized title company for purposes of issuing lender's title insurance policies to Buyer's lenders, with the standard, pre-printed exceptions (other than with respect to survey matters) deleted; all items required to be delivered pursuant to Section 9.9;
 - (e) a quit-claim deed to be recorded with respect to the Owned Real Property;
- (f) such assignments and other good and sufficient instruments of assumption and transfer, in form reasonably satisfactory to Sellers and Buyer, which are reasonably requested by Buyer to (i) transfer to Buyer all the right, title and interest of Sellers in, to or under the

⁴¹⁴ Note to Draft: To be deleted if there are no foreign Sellers.

Acquired Assets to be acquired on the Closing Date in accordance with this Agreement and (ii) properly give effect to Buyer's assumption of all of the Assumed Liabilities in accordance with this Agreement;

- (g) all Intellectual Property Related Documentation and IP Licenses;
- (h) all tangible embodiments of the Acquired Intellectual Property, including all (i) Software object code and source code related thereto, (ii) all materials and documentation (in electronic and editable form, to the extent existing in such form) necessary for the use, modification, manufacture, sale and other exploitation of the Acquired Intellectual Property, to the extent not included in Intellectual Property Related Documentation, (iii) all content made available on or through any websites and webpages accessed through any Domain Names or Medical Accounts included in the Acquired Intellectual Property and all other audio-visual or written materials (including such archival materials) produced by or on behalf of Sellers, (iv) all Labeling and Marketing Materials and (v) all Product Catalogs and Manuals;
- (i) to the extent the sale and transfer of such data is not in contravention with applicable Law, all Acquired Data in the format in which it exists and, if any portion of such Acquired Data is encrypted, the necessary decryption tools and keys to read such materials contemporaneously; and
- (j) a counterpart of the IP Assignment Agreement, duly executed by each applicable Seller;
- (k) unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Parties between signing and Closing, a counterpart of each Short Form Assignment, duly executed by each applicable Seller;
- (l) a counterpart of each IP Power of Attorney, duly executed by each applicable Seller;
 - (m) the Occupancy Agreement, duly executed by the applicable Sellers;
 - (n) the Management and Services Agreement, duly executed by the applicable Sellers;
- (o) the Payoff Letters (including UCC terminations or authorization to file UCC terminations and other filings); and
- (p) true, correct and complete copies of any non-disclosure agreement signed in connection with discussions concerning the potential infringement, sale or licensing of any of the Acquired Intellectual Property within the past two (2) years (it being understood that (i) Sellers shall deliver to Buyer all such Contracts in unredacted form except to the extent that Sellers may be prohibited by applicable Law or by the terms of a Contract existing prior to the date hereof from providing unredacted versions to Buyer, in which case, Sellers shall deliver to Buyer versions of such agreements and other documents redacted solely to the extent required by the applicable Law or Contract and (ii) in accepting redacted copies of such agreements or other documents, Buyer is not waiving its rights to review or compel disclosure of unredacted versions

of such agreements or other documents in future legal proceedings relating to the Acquired Assets, or otherwise); and

- (p) subject to Section 9.14, certificates representing the KCD Notes in proper form for transfer, free and clear of all liens.
- Section 4.4 <u>Local Sale Agreements</u>. Subject to the terms and conditions hereof, to the extent necessary or desirable to effect the Closing on the terms hereof, Buyer or applicable Assignee and relevant Sellers shall, enter into such agreements or instruments, including a sale agreement and quit-claim deed for the Owned Real Property and bills of sale and/or assignment and assumption agreements, providing for the sale, transfer, assignment or other conveyance to Buyer or applicable Assignee, in accordance with the requirements of applicable local Law.

ARTICLE V

DESIGNATION RIGHTS PERIOD

Section 5.1 <u>Parties' Respective Obligations Before and During Designation Rights</u> <u>Period.</u>

(a) Sellers' Obligations.

- (i) Sellers shall pay when due any and all Occupancy Expenses with respect to each Lease Premises and the related Lease solely to the extent arising during the period commencing on the Petition Date through, in the case of any Operating Leased Property, the Closing Date, and in the case of any GOB Leased Store, the end of the GOB Period, at such times and in such amounts as are required under the terms of the applicable Lease and any other applicable agreement pertaining to such Property. Sellers shall not pay any amount due from Sellers pursuant to any provision of this Agreement using any security deposit associated with any Lease Premises, Lease or other Lease Premises-related agreement or, to the extent so paid prior to Closing, Buyer, as Buyer's sole remedy, will be entitled to a credit against the Purchase Price for any amounts so applied (except that Buyer shall be entitled to invoke other remedies if such credit is not duly applied at Closing).
- Effective Date Closing Date with respect to each Operating Leased Property and (B) the end of the Designation Rights GOB Period with respect to each GOB Leased Store, Sellers shall use commercially reasonable efforts to maintain and preserve each Lease Premises, each Lease and all related Potential Acquired Assets in a condition substantially similar to the better of (x) their present condition and (y) in the case of Lease Premises, the condition required under the respective Lease of October 15, 2018, other than reasonable wear and tear, casualty and condemnation (which shall be governed by Section 12.3). During the Designation Rights Period, Sellers shall not without Buyer's consent, and shall not solicit any other Person to, (A) sell, transfer, assign, convey, lease, license, mortgage, pledge or otherwise encumber any Lease Premises, related Lease or

related Potential Acquired Asset (other than sales of Inventory by Buyer in accordance with Section 5.1(c), Permitted Encumbrances and any applicable statutory liens (solely to the extent that such Lease or related Potential Acquired Asset will be transferred free and clear of such statutory liens pursuant to the Approval Order)), (B) amend, supplement or modify in any fashion (or terminate or enter into) any Designatable Lease (provided that Sellers shall use reasonable best efforts to comply with instructions from Buyer as to the renewal (or lack of renewal) of each Lease that comes up for renewal), (C) grant or terminate any other interests in any Lease Premises, related Lease or related Potential Acquired Asset (other than sales of Inventory located at such Lease Premises in the Ordinary Course of Business), (D) cancel or compromise any claim or waive or release any right, in each case that is related to any Lease Premises or any related Potential Acquired Assets (for the avoidance of doubt, other than any Excluded Assets), (E) except following receipt of a Buyer Rejection Notice in accordance with Section 5.3, seek or obtain an order approving rejection of a Designatable Lease (which, shall in no way affect Sellers' rights to seek or obtain an order approving rejection in connection with any of Sellers' assets other than the Lease Premises), (F) take any action with respect to Taxes or Tax matters that is not in the Ordinary Course of Business that could reasonably be expected to result in (I) an Encumbrance on any Lease Premises or related Potential Acquired Assets (unless such Lease or related Potential Acquired Asset will be transferred free and clear of such Encumbrances pursuant to the applicable Lease Assignment Order) or (III) an increase in the Tax Liability of Buyer or any of its Affiliates, or (G) enter into any agreement or commitment to take any action prohibited by this Section 5.1(a)(ii).

- (iii) From the date hereof through the end of the Designation Rights Period, Sellers shall continue to make available to Buyer the data room made available to Buyer prior to the date hereof, and Sellers shall use commercially reasonable efforts to post to such data room copies of all material notices received by Sellers with respect to any Designatable Leases during the Designation Rights Period. From the date hereof through the end of the Designation Rights Period, subject to the terms of the Occupancy Agreement, Sellers shall make available to Buyer reasonable access to the Lease Premises for the Designatable Leases at such times as Buyer or its agents may reasonably request, provided that prior to the Closing Date there is no unreasonable interference with Sellers' use and occupancy.
- (iv) From the date hereof through the (A) Closing with respect to the Initial Assigned Leases and (B) the end of the Designation Rights Period with respect to the Designatable Leases, Sellers shall reasonably cooperate with Buyer at no cost, expense or Liability to Sellers with regard to all negotiations between Buyer and the landlords under the applicable Leases, but Sellers will not be required to enter into any agreements with such landlords or expend any costs in connection with such negotiations (other than any costs that Buyer has agreed in writing to reimburse Seller).
- (v) From the Closing Date through the end of the Designation Rights Period, Sellers shall bear the risk of loss or damage to the Lease Premises. With respect to the

Lease Premises which Leases are Designatable Leases, Sellers shall continue all existing insurance policies with respect to such Lease Premises or policies providing similar coverage to the extent available at commercially reasonable rates during the Designation Rights Period and in all instances shall maintain all insurance required to be maintained under any Lease, and shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause Buyer to be named as a loss payee or additional insured, as applicable, with respect to all such policies, which premiums and other amounts due to such insurance companies to maintain such insurance policies during the Designation Rights Period shall be Occupancy Expenses. Sellers shall (i) hold in escrow all insurance recoveries and all warranty and condemnation proceeds received or receivable after the date hereof with respect to such Lease Premises or such related Leases for events occurring during the Designation Rights Period, and (ii) following the Designation Rights Period shall pay any such recoveries or proceeds to Buyer to the extent relating to any Acquired Lease. In connection with any payment of recoveries or proceeds under this Section 5.1(a)(v), (i) such payment of recoveries or proceeds shall not include any recoveries or proceeds to the extent attributable to lost rents or similar costs applicable to any period prior to the Closing or paid in connection with repair, restoration or replacement during such period, and (ii) to the extent that Buyer has received written notice thereof in reasonable detail not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the end of the Designation Rights Period, such payment of recoveries or proceeds shall be reduced by the amount of (x) all actual and documented, reasonable out of pocket repair costs incurred by Sellers in connection with the repair or restoration of such damage or destruction, (y) all actual and documented, reasonable out of pocket collection costs of Sellers respecting any awards or other proceeds, and (z) any amounts required to be paid (and solely to the extent actually paid) by Sellers or the insurance company to the applicable landlord under the Lease, if applicable, or to such landlord's lender as required pursuant to any of such lender's financing, as applicable. For the avoidance of doubt, the costs of such policies allocable to, in the case of the GOB Leased Stores for the period following the end of the GOB Period and in the case of the Owned Leased Stores following the Closing Date, the Designation Rights Period shall be borne by Buyer and shall otherwise be borne by Sellers. During the Designation Rights Period, Sellers shall use commercially reasonable efforts to provide Buyer with notice of any Casualty / Condemnation Event within three (3) Business Days of the occurrence of such Casualty / Condemnation Event.

- (vi) From the date hereof through the end of the Designation Rights Period, at Buyer's specific written request, and at no cost, expense or Liability to Sellers, Sellers will take such actions as Buyer may reasonably request to cause each landlord under the Designatable Leases to perform such party's covenants, agreements and obligations (including repair and maintenance obligations and obligations to maintain insurance with respect to such Lease Premises and any shopping center or mall in which any such Lease Premises is located) under the respective Designatable Leases.
- (vii) From the date hereof through the Closing Date, Sellers shall perform repairs and maintenance and provide security services at the Properties in substantially the same manner and to the same extent in place as of the date hereof (for the avoidance of

doubt, the costs of providing such repairs, maintenance and security services prior to the Closing Date shall be borne by Sellers.

(viii) From the date hereof through the end of the Designation Rights Period, Sellers shall maintain, as an Occupancy Expense, the effectiveness of and, to the extent expiring, renew, all Plans and Permits with regard to the Properties.

(b) Buyer's Obligations.

- (i) Buyer shall pay (or reimburse Sellers) (subject to the restrictions set forth herein) all Expenses incurred in connection with respect to the Designatable Leases during the Designation Rights Period.
- (ii) Buyer will, as soon as reasonably practicable, but in no event later than the Designation Deadline, identify to Seller any Designatable Leases that Buyer has determined will not be designated for assumption and assignment pursuant to the Designation Rights and Seller shall be free to dispose of such Designatable Leases in its sole discretion.

(c) Operation of Lease Premises.

- (i) (e) Operation of Lease Premises. During the Designation Rights Period, the The operation of the Lease Premises related to the Designatable Leases shall(A) Operating Leased Property during the Designation Rights Period and (b) with respect to each GOB Leased Store following the end of the GOB Period and ending at the end of the Designation Rights Period, shall in each case be governed by an Occupancy Agreement in the form attached hereto as Exhibit D, and Buyer shall conduct such operation pursuant to such Occupancy Agreement, including the sale of the Acquired Inventory at such Lease Premises related to the Designatable Leases, as Buyer determines in its sole discretion, including by (A) conducting liquidation sales at any or all of such Lease Premises related to the Designatable Leases or (B) operating the Lease Premises pursuant to the Occupancy Agreement.
- (ii) The operation of the Lease Premises related to the GOB Leased Stores during the GOB Period shall be governed by the Seller Retained Occupancy Agreement and Seller shall conduct such operation pursuant to such Seller Retained Occupancy Agreement as Seller determines in its sole discretion.

Section 5.2 Assumption.

(a) Following Closing, at any time on or prior to the Designation Deadline, Buyer shall have the right, which right may be exercised at any time and from time to time, in consultation with the Sellers, to designate such Designatable Lease for assumption and assignment and shall provide notice to Sellers executed by Buyer and the Assignee (a "Buyer Assumption Notice") of Buyer's election to require Sellers to assume such Designatable Leases and assign the same to the Assignee identified in such Buyer Assumption Notice; provided that

Buyer shall pay all Cure Costs associated with any assumption and assignment of any such Designatable Leases in accordance with the terms of Section 2.7; provided further, that the Assignee shall agree, pursuant to the Buyer Assumption Notice, to assume Buyer's obligations under this Agreement in relation to the relevant Designatable Lease. The Buyer Assumption Notice shall provide the following information: (1) the Designatable Leases being assumed and assigned and (2) the identity of the applicable Assignee(s).

- Within five (5) Business Days following the date upon which Buyer delivers a Buyer Assumption Notice to Sellers with respect to any Designatable Lease, together with a related assignment agreement substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit E (the "Designation Assignment Agreement and Assumption of Lease") executed by the applicable Assignee, Sellers shall (1) deliver to Buyer and such Assignee a fully executed Designation Assignment Agreement and Assumption of Lease and (2) file with the Bankruptcy Court and serve on the applicable lessor(s) and other appropriate notice parties (as applicable) a notice, and shall seek entry by the Bankruptcy Court of the Approval Order in respect of the Designatable Leases subject to such Buyer Assumption Notice; provided, that, in no event shall any Designation Assignment Date be prior to the Inventory Date. As of the applicable Designation Assignment Date, except for such obligations and liabilities with respect to such Designatable Leases and the related Lease Premises arising during the Designation Rights Period and except for Buyer's obligations specifically set forth in this Agreement, as between Buyer and the Assignee, Buyer shall have no further obligation or Liability with respect to such Designatable Lease or the related Lease Premises (including any obligation to continue to pay Expenses with respect thereto) and Assignee shall thereafter be solely responsible for all amounts payable or other obligations or liabilities that may be owed in connection with such Designatable Lease or the related Lease Premises; provided, however, that nothing in this sentence shall affect Sellers' rights against Buyer with respect to such Designatable Lease or the Lease Premises as set forth in this Agreement.
- (c) Upon Buyer's request prior to the last day of the Designation Rights Period (provided that the Assignee shall have notified Sellers as to the particular Assignment Instruments and Assignment Actions to be delivered and taken at least two (2) Business Days prior thereto), Sellers shall deliver to the applicable Assignee instruments reasonably necessary or desirable (as reasonably agreed between Sellers and Assignee) providing for the assignment, conveyance and delivery to such Assignee of the applicable Designatable Lease, together with the related Acquired Assets, in each case free and clear of all Encumbrances of any and every kind, nature and description, other than Permitted Encumbrances (the "Assignment Instruments") and shall otherwise take such actions as are reasonably necessary or desirable (as reasonably agreed by Seller and such Assignee) in order to cause such sale, transfer, assignment, conveyance and delivery to become effective (collectively, the "Assignment Actions"); provided, however, that Buyer shall be solely responsible for all Cure Costs in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.
- (d) The effective date of the sale, transfer, assignment, conveyance and delivery by Sellers to such Assignee of a Designatable Lease and related assets pursuant to this Agreement

and the applicable Designation—Assignment Agreement and Assumption of Lease shall be the "Designation Assignment Date" with respect to such Lease and related assets.

- (e) With respect to any Designatable Lease designated in a Buyer Assumption Notice:
- (i) Sellers, at no cost, expense or Liability to Sellers, and Buyer shall each use (and Buyer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause Assignee to use) commercially reasonable efforts to accomplish, and shall fully cooperate with each other in, the resolution of any objections to the proposed assumption and assignment of such Designatable Lease and related assets;
- (ii) Buyer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause Assignee to provide evidence (A) of adequate assurance of future performance within the meaning of section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, (B) that Assignee is a good faith purchaser for purposes of section 363(m) of the Bankruptcy Code, including, in both cases, through the provision of such financial information and/or the filing of such affidavits or declarations with the Bankruptcy Court as may reasonably be requested by Sellers, or (C) any other information as may be required by the Bidding Procedures Order; and
- (iii) Buyer shall pay or reimburse Sellers be responsible for all Cure Costs and Expenses and pay and perform the other obligations of Buyer set forth in this Agreement.
- (f) Except as otherwise set forth in this <u>Article V</u>, each Person shall bear their own costs and expenses in respect of obtaining entry of the Approval Order and otherwise implementing the sale, transfer, assignment, conveyance and delivery of the applicable Lease and related assets to the applicable Assignee, including the filing and prosecution of any motions or other papers with respect to the same.

Section 5.3 Election Not to Assume and Assign a Designatable Lease.

- (a) At any time before the date that is five (5) Business Days on or before the Designation Deadline, Buyer shall in accordance with the terms of this Agreement provide notice to Sellers (each such notice, a "Buyer Rejection Notice") of Buyer's election not to have such Designatable Lease assumed and assigned.
- (b) Within five (5) Business Days following the date upon which Buyer delivers a Buyer Rejection Notice to Sellers with respect to the applicable Lease, Buyer shall vacate the applicable Property and deliver to Sellers the keys to such Property, if in the possession of Buyer. As of the date that is the later of (i) the date Buyer vacates the applicable Property and delivers to Sellers the keys to such Property, if in the possession of Buyer and (ii) five (5) Business Days after the date of the Buyer Rejection Notice, Buyer shall have no further obligation or liability with respect to the applicable Lease, Contract or Lease Premises, except with respect to obligations and liabilities with respect to such Lease, Contract, or Lease Premises arising during the Designation Rights Period, and Sellers shall thereafter be solely responsible for all amounts

payable or other obligations or liabilities that may be owed in connection with such Lease, Contract or Lease Premises.

ARTICLE VI

REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF SELLERS

Except as set forth in the Schedules delivered as of December 28, 2018 the date hereof by Sellers to Buyer and except as relates to a matter involving a Buyer Related Party (as to which no representation or warranty is being made), Sellers hereby, jointly and severally, represent and warrant to Buyer that the statements contained in this Article VI are true and correct as of the date hereof:

Section 6.1 Organization and Good Standing. Each Seller is an entity duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the Laws of the jurisdiction of its organization. Subject to the limitations imposed on such Seller as a result of the Filing, each Seller has the requisite corporate, partnership or limited liability company power and authority to own or lease and to operate and use its properties and to carry on its business as now conducted. Each Seller is duly qualified or licensed to do business and is in good standing in each jurisdiction where a Property is located where the character of its business or the nature of its properties requires such qualification or licensing, except where the failure to be so qualified or licensed or to be in good standing would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 6.2 Authority; Validity; Consents. Each Seller has, subject to requisite Bankruptcy Court approval, as applicable, the requisite corporate, partnership or limited liability company power and authority necessary to enter into and perform its obligations under this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents to which it is, or will become, a party and to consummate the Transactions. This Agreement has been duly and validly executed and delivered by each Seller and each other Transaction Document required to be executed and delivered by Sellers at any time will be duly and validly executed and delivered by each Seller. Subject to requisite Bankruptcy Court approval, as applicable, this Agreement and (when duly executed by Sellers) the other Transaction Documents constitute, with respect to each Seller, the legal, valid and binding obligations of such Seller, enforceable against such Seller in accordance with their respective terms, except as such enforceability is limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or similar laws now or hereafter in effect relating to creditors' rights generally or general principles of equity. Subject to, and after giving effect to, requisite Bankruptcy Court approval (including the Approval Order) no Seller is required to give any notice to, make any filing with or obtain any consent from any Person (including any Governmental Authority) in connection with the execution and delivery of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents or the consummation or performance of any of the Transactions, except for (i) expiration or termination of any applicable waiting periods under the HSR Act and similar foreign competition laws and (ii) such notices, filings and consents, the failure of which to provide, make or obtain, would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

- Section 6.3 No Conflict. When the Approval Order and the consents and other actions described in Section 6.2 have been obtained and taken, the execution and delivery of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents and the consummation of the Transactions will not result in the material breach of any of the terms and provisions of, or constitute a default under, or conflict with, or require consent or the giving of a notice under, or cause any acceleration of any obligation of Sellers under (a) any Order, (b) any Law or (c) the organizational documents of any Seller except, with respect to (a) or (b), as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.
- Environmental Matters. Except as would not, individually or in the Section 6.4 aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, to Sellers' Knowledge, (i) none of the Acquired Properties has been used by any Person as a landfill or storage, treatment, or disposal site for any type of Hazardous Substance or non-hazardous solid wastes as defined under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976, as amended, in a manner which would reasonably be expected to result in any Seller incurring liabilities under Environmental Laws; (ii) the use by each Seller of the Acquired Properties is, and since the beginning of the Current Fiscal Year has been, in compliance with all Environmental Laws and Environmental Permits, except for such non-compliance that has not been, and would reasonably be expected to result in any Seller incurring liabilities under Environmental Laws; and (iii) none of the Acquired Assets is subject to any pending Action alleging that any Acquired Assets or Seller, with respect to the Acquired Assets, is in violation of any Environmental Law or Environmental Permit that would reasonably be expected to result in any Seller incurring liabilities under Environmental Laws. Since the beginning of the Current Fiscal Year, the Sellers have not received any written notice threatening any Action alleging that any Seller is in violation of any Environmental Law or Environmental Permit in respect of any Acquired Property that would reasonably be expected, individually or in the aggregate, to have a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 6.5 Title to Acquired Assets.

- (a) Except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, Sellers (directly or indirectly) have good title to, or, in the case of Potential Acquired Assets that are leased by Sellers, a valid leasehold interest in, all of the Potential Acquired Assets, free and clear of all Encumbrances, except for Permitted Encumbrances.
- (b) Sellers shall (i) with respect to the Owned Real Property, the Business and the Acquired Assets, upon delivery to Buyer on the Closing Date of the instruments of transfer contemplated by Section 4.3 and (ii) with respect to any Potential Acquired Assets related to any Acquired Lease Premises, upon delivery to the applicable Assignee of the instruments of transfer contemplated by an applicable Designation Assignment Agreement and Assumption of Lease, and in each case subject to the terms of the Approval Order, thereby transfer to Buyer or the applicable Assignee, as applicable, good (and, in the case of owned real property, marketable fee simple) title to, or, in the case of Potential Acquired Assets that are leased by Sellers, a valid

leasehold interest in, all of the Potential Acquired Assets, free and clear of all Encumbrances, except for Permitted Encumbrances.

Section 6.6 Real Property.

- (a) Except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, Sellers have good and marketable fee title to the Owned Real Property, free and clear of all liens (except for Permitted Encumbrances). None of the Owned Real Property is subject to any leases or tenancies or other rights of occupancy.
- (b) Except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, (i) there is no pending condemnation proceeding, administrative action or judicial proceeding of any type relating to the Owned Real Property or other matters affecting adversely the current use, occupancy or value of the Owned Real Property and (ii) neither the current use of the Owned Real Property nor the operations of Sellers violates any applicable legal requirements.
- (c) The Initial Assigned Leases and the Designatable Leases constitute all leases and material Security Deposit Documents with respect to any real property for the Lease Premises. On or before the date hereof, Sellers have delivered or made available to Buyer true and complete copies of all Leases and Security Deposit Documents for the Lease Premises (it being agreed that, while Sellers shall use reasonable best efforts to deliver or make available to Buyer all such documents, Sellers shall not be deemed to have breached this representation if, in the case of Security Deposit Documents, lease amendments, non-disturbance agreements, subordination, non-disturbance and attornment agreements, waivers and consents in favor of any Seller and estoppel certificates from landlords, Sellers shall have only delivered or made available to Buyer true and complete copies of only those of the same which are material). There are no material agreements, understandings or undertakings pertaining to the Leases, the Security Deposits, the Security Deposit Documents, the Sellers' leasehold interest in the Properties, the Lease Premises or Sellers' use or occupation of the Lease Premises or any portion thereof which are in Sellers' possession which have not been disclosed to Buyer or made available in the data room made available to Buyer prior to December 28, 2018 the date hereof. Knowledge, no Person that is not a Seller has any right to possess, use or occupy the Lease Premises.
- (d) Each of the Leases is legal, valid, binding and enforceable against Sellers party thereto and, to Sellers' Knowledge, against each other party thereto, in accordance with its terms (except for any direct or indirect restriction, limitation or condition on Sellers' assignment of the Leases to Buyer which shall not be of any force or effect pursuant to the Approval Order), and, subject to the entry of the Approval Order and payment of the Cure Costs and other than solely as a result of the filing of the Bankruptcy Cases or the financial condition of Holdings or its Subsidiaries, to Sellers' Knowledge, no event of default currently exists thereunder by any counterparty thereto, and no event has occurred thereunder that after the giving of notice or the passage of any applicable cure period or both would constitute an event of default of Sellers or, to Sellers' Knowledge, any other party thereto, and no Seller has delivered or received any written notice from the other party to any such Lease of the termination or surrender thereof, and

the Leases have not been amended, modified or supplemented, except to the extent, in each case as described in this Section 6.6(d), that the failure of the same to be true would not in the aggregate reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

- (e) There are no pending condemnation or eminent domain proceedings or any proceedings in lieu thereof against any of the Lease Premises, Owned Real Property or any part thereof, except to the extent that the failure of the same to be true would not in the aggregate have a Material Adverse Effect.
- Taxes. There are no Encumbrances for Taxes on any of the Potential Section 6.7 Acquired Assets other than statutory liens for current Taxes not yet delinquent or Taxes being contested in good faith. Each Seller has timely filed or caused to be timely filed with the appropriate Governmental Authority all material Tax Returns required to be filed by or on behalf of such seller with respect to or in connection with the Acquired Assets, the Properties, Business and the Assumed Liabilities. Such Tax Returns are true, complete and accurate in all material respects. Other than any Taxes the timely payment of which is precluded by the Bankruptcy Case, each Seller has paid and discharged in full all material amount of Taxes payable by or on behalf of such Seller None of the Acquired Assets include or consist of an interest in any partnership, corporation or other regarded entity for U.S. federal-income, state or local income tax purposes. No Tax Proceeding is pending or has been threatened in writing against or with respect to any Seller in connection with the Potential Acquired Assets, the Properties, the Seller's business or the Assumed Liabilities. Each Seller has complied in all material respects with all applicable Laws (including information reporting requirements) relating to the collection, withholding and remittance of Taxes with respect to or in connection with the Acquired Assets, the Properties, the Seller's business and the Assumed Liabilities.
- Section 6.8 <u>Brokers or Finders</u>. Sellers have not incurred any obligation or liability, contingent or otherwise, for brokerage or finders' fees or agents' commissions or other similar payment in connection with this Agreement, the other Transaction Documents or the Transactions for which Buyer is or will become liable.

Section 6.9 Employee and Employee Plan Matters.

(a) No Seller is party to any collective bargaining, works council or similar Contract with any labor organization, union or association. No labor organization or group of employees of Sellers has made a pending demand for recognition or certification, and there are no representation or certification proceedings or petitions seeking a representation proceeding presently pending or, to the Knowledge of Sellers, threatened to be brought or filed, with the National Labor Relations Board or any other labor relations tribunal or authority. There is no pending labor dispute, strike, controversy, slowdown, work stoppage or lockout pending or, to the Knowledge of Sellers, threatened, against the Business or any Seller in connection with the Business, except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. There are no pending labor union grievances or unfair labor practices against any Seller, except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

- (b) Sellers are in compliance in all material respects with all Employment Laws. There are no pending employment-related lawsuits or administrative actions alleging violations of Employment Laws against any Seller in state or federal court or pending with any Government Authority (including the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, the U.S. Department of Labor or any equivalent state or local agencies charged with investigating or adjudicating employee claims concerning alleged violations of Employment Laws), except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.
- (c) Each Employee Plan that is intended to be a qualified under Section 401(a) of the Code has either received a favorable determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service or may rely on a favorable opinion letter issued by the Internal Revenue Service and, to the Knowledge of Sellers, nothing has occurred since the date of such determination or opinion letter that would reasonably be expected to adversely affect such qualification. Each Employee Plan has been established, operated and administered in compliance with its terms and applicable Laws (including ERISA and the Code), except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. All contributions or other amounts payable by Sellers with respect to each Employee Plan in respect of current or prior plan years have been timely paid or accrued in accordance with applicable accounting standards.
- (d) There are no actions, suits, audits or investigations by any Governmental Authority, termination proceedings or other claims (except routine claims for benefits payable under the Employee Plans) pending or, to the Knowledge of Sellers, threatened, other than any such investigations, proceedings or claims that would not individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.
- (e) No Employee Plan is subject to Section 302 or Title IV of ERISA or Section 412, 430, or 4971 of the Code. During the immediately preceding six (6) years, no Liability under Section 302 or Title IV of ERISA has been incurred by Sellers or their respective ERISA Affiliates or their respective predecessors that has not been satisfied in full, and no condition exists that presents a risk to Sellers or any such ERISA Affiliates of incurring any such Liability.
- (f) Neither Sellers nor any of their respective ERISA Affiliates has, at any time during the preceding six (6) years, contributed to, been obligated to contribute to or had any Liability (including any contingent Liability) with respect to any Multiemployer Plan or a plan that has two or more contributing sponsors, at least two of whom are not under common control, within the meaning of Section 4063 of ERISA, and no condition exists that presents a risk to Sellers or any such ERISA Affiliates of incurring any such Liability.
- (g) Neither the execution and delivery of this Agreement nor the consummation of the Transactions will (either alone or in conjunction with any other event): (i) entitle any current or former employee, officer, director or independent contractor of any Seller to any payment or benefit (or result in the funding of any such payment or benefit) under any Employee Plan; (ii) increase the amount of any compensation, equity award or other benefits otherwise payable by any Seller under any Employee Plan; (iii) result in the acceleration of the time of payment, funding or vesting of any compensation, equity award or other benefits under any Employee Plan; or (iv) result in any "excess parachute payment" (within the meaning of Section 280G of the

Code) becoming due to any current or former employee, officer, director or independent contractor of any Seller.

Section 6.10 Intellectual Property.

- (a) Set forth in Schedule 6.10(a) is a correct and complete list of all issued Patents, registered Trademarks, registered Copyrights, Domain Names and Media Accounts, and as applicable, all applications for each of the foregoing, which are owned by a Seller as of the date hereof or as of the Closing Date, including for each registered, issued or applied-for item: (i) the registered owner (and, if different, the legal owner) of the item, (ii) the jurisdiction in which the item is issued or registered or which any application for issuance or registration has been filed, (iii) the respective issuance, registration or application number of such item, (iv) the date of application and issuance or registration of the item, as applicable, and (v) with respect to Domain Names, the relevant domain name registrar and paid-until date.
- (b) With respect to each item of Acquired Intellectual Property, including each item identified in Schedule 6.10(a):
 - (i) Sellers exclusively own all right, title and interest in and to each such Acquired Intellectual Property free and clear of any Encumbrance and from any Order or Contract that restricts Sellers' right to use the Acquired Intellectual Property, in each case, except Permitted Post-Closing Encumbrances; for the avoidance of doubt, Schedule 6.10(b)(i) shall identify the co-owner(s) of each item of Acquired Intellectual Property and the agreements under which any Seller and the co-owner(s) share ownership of such Intellectual Property;
 - (ii) the item is not subject to any outstanding material Order, not including any outstanding objection, rejection or refusal issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office or the foreign equivalent thereof in connection with the prosecution or examination of a patent or trademark application; and
 - (iii) that is a registered Trademark or issued Patent and, to Sellers' Knowledge, each such applied for Patent, each such applied for Trademark and each other registered, issued or applied for itemissued Patent and registered Trademark (excluding those registered Trademarks that are currently in the grace period) is valid, subsisting and enforceable and duly registered or issued, if as applicable, in the name of a Seller.
- (c) Except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to be material to the Business or the ownership or operation of the Acquired Assets, to Sellers' Knowledge: (i) neither the operation of the Business, Sellers' other businesses nor the Acquired Assets (other than the "Business" as defined in the SHIP Purchase Agreement), the Acquired Assets or the products or services sold, offered for sale, distributed, promoted, made, had made or provided by Sellers, nor the use or exploitation of Labeling and Marketing Materials or Product Catalogs and Manuals, Acquired Inventory) is infringing, misappropriating, diluting or violating or have, since the beginning of the Current Fiscal Year, infringed upon,

misappropriated, diluted or otherwise violated, any Intellectual Property of any other Person, (ii) since the beginning of the Current Fiscal Year, no Seller has received any written charge, complaint, claim, demand, or notice (including in the form of "cease and desist" letters, indemnification claims or "invitation to license" offers) alleging any such infringement, misappropriation, dilution or violation, nor is there any Action pending or to the Knowledge of Sellers, threatened relating to the same, and (iii) since the beginning of the Current Fiscal Year, no Person has initiated or, to the Knowledge of Sellers, threatened any Action challenging the validity, enforceability or ownership of any Acquired Intellectual Property. To the Knowledge of Sellers, no Person has infringed upon, misappropriated, diluted or otherwise violated any of the Acquired Intellectual Property in any material respect.

- (d) To the extent any current or former officers, directors, employees, contractors and consultants of Sellers have made contributions for or on behalf of Sellers to the creation or development of any Intellectual Property that is material to the operations of Sellers, Sellers own the entire right, title and interest in such contributions.
- (e) Since the beginning of the Current Fiscal Year, there has been no material failure or other material substandard performance of any servers, computer hardware, networks, Software, databases, telecommunications systems, interfaces or related systems (collectively, "IT Systems") of Sellers, which has caused any material disruption to the operation of any of Sellers' businesses. Sellers have taken commercially reasonable (i) steps to provide for the backup and recovery of data and commercially reasonable disaster recovery plans, procedures and facilities of IT Systems included in the Potential Acquired Assets and, as applicable, have taken commercially reasonable steps to implement such plans and procedures and (ii) actions to protect the integrity and security of IT Systems included in the Potential Acquired Assets, the information stored thereon and Acquired Data from unauthorized use or access by third parties and from viruses and contaminants. Since January 1, 2016, the beginning of the Current Fiscal Year, and to the Knowledge of Sellers, since January 1, 2017, there have been no material unauthorized intrusions or breaches of the security of the IT Systems (including any ransomware attack), nor any material loss or breach of, or unauthorized access to, any data, in each case with respect to IT Systems or data of Sellers that relate to the Potential Acquired Assets.
- (f) Sellers have taken commercially reasonable steps to protect and preserve the secrecy and confidentiality of all information and materials that derive independent economic value from not being generally known to the public and all Know-How of third parties which was provided to a Seller under confidentiality obligations. Sellers have not (A) deposited or agreed to deposit any source code of Software the rights to which are included in the Potential Acquired Assets into a source code escrow or (B) disclosed or agreed to disclose or delivered or agreed to deliver such source code to any Person, other than disclosures made pursuant to clause (B) to Persons who are subject to confidentiality obligations which restrict their use and disclosure of such source code to other Persons not bound by confidentiality restrictions, and no Person has any contractual right to receive such source code.
- (g) Except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to be material to the Business or the ownership or operation of the Acquired Assets, since the beginning of the Current Fiscal Year, and to the Knowledge of Sellers, since January 1,

20162017, (i) Sellers have complied with all applicable Laws and contractual obligations relating to the collection, transfer, storage, disposal, use, processing and disclosure of the Customer Data included in the Acquired Data, and (ii) to the Knowledge of Sellers, there have been no losses or thefts of Customer Data or any other data held by or on behalf of Sellers, and in each case, included in the Acquired Data. Since January 1, 2016, Sellers have not received any unresolved written notice, request or written claim from any Person, including any Governmental Authority, concerning the material violation of any applicable Laws relating to the collection, transfer, storage, disposal, use, processing or disclosure of personally identifiable information, and, to the Knowledge of Sellers, no investigation by any Governmental Authority regarding a violation of such Laws is pending or threatened, in each case, solely as related to the Potential Acquired Assets.

Section 6.11 Material Contracts.

- (a) <u>Schedule 6.11</u> sets forth all of the following Orders or Contracts to which any Seller is a party or by which it is bound and that are currently in effect (or by which the Potential Acquired Assets may be bound or affected) other than the Leases (collectively, whether or not disclosed on Schedule 6.11, the "<u>Material Contracts</u>"):
 - (i) with any labor union or association representing any Employees of any Seller;
 - (ii) for the sale after December 28, 2018 the date hereof of any Potential Acquired Asset owned or used by Sellers for consideration in excess of \$15,000,000;
 - (iii) relating to the pending acquisition by any Seller of any operating business or the capital stock of any other Person;
 - (iv) which is an IP License with respect to which annual payments or consideration furnished by or to Sellers pursuant to such IP License with respect to the Business is in excess of fifteen million dollars (\$15,000,000) in the Current Fiscal Year (other than, (A) in the case of Inbound IP Licenses, (x) off-the-shelf, non-customized computer programs, and (y) non-exclusive licenses granted by suppliers and other service providers of Sellers, in each case, to the extent necessary to use, sell and offer to sell the products and services of such suppliers or service providers, as applicable, and entered into in the Ordinary Course of Business; and (B) in the case of Outbound IP Licenses, non-exclusive licenses to customers, suppliers, vendors and other service providers of Sellers, in each case to the extent necessary for their respective use of the products and services of the Business or for the manufacture of products on behalf of Sellers or provision of services to Sellers in connection therewith and entered into in the Ordinary Course of Business);

(v) that restrict Sellers' rights to use any Acquired Intellectual Property;

(vi) which involve any Potential Assigned Transferred Agreement (other than purchase orders entered into in the Ordinary Course of Business) the performance of

which involves payment by or to any of Sellers of consideration in excess of \$15,000,000 over the Current Fiscal Year and which cannot be canceled by notice of ninety (90) days or fewer without penalty or payment; and

- (vi) (vii) which regard the employment, services, consulting, termination or severance from employment relating to or for the material benefit of any director, officer, employee, independent contractor or consultant of any Seller and require annual payments by any Seller in excess of \$400,000.
- (b) Sellers have delivered to Buyer true and complete copies of such Material Contracts and any and all amendments, modifications, supplements, exhibits and restatements thereto and thereof in effect as of the date of this Agreement; provided, however, that Sellers shall not be required to deliver any Material Contract or amendment, modification, supplement, exhibit or restatement thereto that cannot be located notwithstanding the reasonable efforts of Sellers to locate such document if and only if such Material Contract is not an Assigned Agreement.
- (c) Each Material Contract is in full force and effect, has not been amended, modified or supplemented and is the valid and binding obligation of the Seller party thereto, and to the Knowledge of Sellers, each other party thereto, in each case (i) except as such enforceability may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or similar Laws now or hereafter in effect relating to creditor's rights generally or general principles of equity.
- (d) If any Material Contract were to be designated by Buyer for assignment as an Assigned Agreement, upon entry of the Approval Order and payment of the Cure Costs, no Seller is in breach or in default under any Material Contract.

Section 6.12 Seller SEC Reports. Since the beginning of the Current Fiscal Year, SHC has filed or furnished (as applicable) all forms, reports, schedules, statements and other documents with the SEC that have been required to be filed or furnished (as applicable) by it under applicable Laws prior to the date hereof (all such forms, reports, schedules, statements and other documents, as amended and supplemented, and together with all exhibits and schedules thereto, the "Seller SEC Reports"). As of its filing date (or, if amended or superseded by a filing prior to the date of this Agreement, on the date of such amended or superseded filing), (a) each Seller SEC Report complied as to form in all material respects with the applicable requirements of the Securities Act, the Exchange Act or the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, as the case may be (including, in each case, the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder), each as in effect on the date such Seller SEC Report was filed, and (b) each Seller SEC Report did not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements made therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading. None of SHC's Subsidiaries is required to file or furnish (as applicable) any forms, reports or other documents with the SEC or any foreign Governmental Authority that performs a similar function to that of the SEC. No executive officer of SHC has failed to make the certifications required of him or her under Section 302 or Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act with respect to any Seller SEC Report, except as disclosed in certifications filed with the Seller SEC Reports. Neither SHC nor any of its executive officers has received notice from any

Governmental Authority challenging or questioning the accuracy, completeness, form or manner of filing of such certifications. As of the date of this Agreement, there are no outstanding or unresolved comments in the comment letters received from the SEC staff with respect to the Seller SEC Reports. As of the date hereof, none of the Seller SEC Reports is subject to outstanding SEC comment or, to the Sellers' Knowledge, investigation.

Section 6.13 Financial Statements.

- (a) The consolidated financial statements of SHC and its Subsidiaries included or incorporated by reference into the Seller SEC Reports have been prepared in accordance with GAAP consistently applied during the periods and at the dates involved (except as may be indicated in the notes thereto or, with respect to any unaudited interim financial statements, the absence of footnote disclosures and other presentation items and normal year-end audit adjustments or as permitted by the SEC's rules and forms), comply as to form in all material respects with applicable accounting requirements and the published rules and regulations of the SEC with respect thereto and fairly present in all material respects the consolidated financial position of SHC and its Subsidiaries as of the dates thereof and the consolidated results of operations and cash flows for the periods then ended.
- (b) SHC has established and maintain disclosure controls and procedures (as such terms are defined in Rule 13a-15 under the Exchange Act), which are reasonably designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by SHC in the Seller SEC Reports that are filed or submitted under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported, within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms and is made known to SHC's chief executive officer and its chief financial officer by others within those entities to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosures as required under the Exchange Act. The chief executive officer and chief financial officer of the applicable Seller have evaluated the effectiveness of SHC's disclosure controls and procedures and, to the extent required by applicable Law, presented in any applicable Seller SEC Report that is a report on Form 10-K or Form 10-Q, or any amendment thereto, their conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by such report or amendment based on such evaluation.
- (e) SHC has established and maintains a system of internal controls over financial reporting (as such term is defined in Rule 13a-15 under the Exchange Act), which are designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements in accordance with GAAP, including policies and procedures that (i) require the maintenance of records that in reasonable detail accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of SHC and its Subsidiaries, (ii) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with GAAP, and that receipts and expenditures of SHC and its Subsidiaries are being made in accordance with appropriate authorizations of management and the applicable boards of directors in all material respects and (iii) provide assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of the assets of SHC and its Subsidiaries.

- (d) Since the beginning of the Current Fiscal Year, none of SHC, its Subsidiaries, their respective directors, officers and employees, and, to the Knowledge of the Sellers, the auditors of SHC and its Subsidiaries, has identified or been made aware of (A) any significant deficiency or material weakness in the system of internal accounting controls, utilized by SHC or any of its Subsidiaries, in each case which has not been subsequently remediated or (B) any fraud that involves SHC's management or other employees who have a role in the preparation of financial statements or the internal accounting controls utilized by SHC and its Subsidiaries. None of SHC, the board of directors of SHC, or the audit committee of the board of directors of SHC, or, to the Knowledge of Sellers, SHC's auditors has received any oral or written notification of any (A) "significant deficiency" in the internal controls over financial reporting of the Sellers, (B) "material weakness" in the internal controls over financial reporting of SHC and its Subsidiaries, or (C) any fraud that involves the management or other employees of the Sellers who have a significant role in the internal controls over financial reporting of the Sellers. To the Knowledge of the Sellers, no attorney representing SHC or its Subsidiaries, whether or not employed by SHC or its Subsidiaries, has reported any evidence of any material violation of securities Laws, breach of fiduciary duty or similar violation by SHC or its Subsidiaries or any of their respective officers, directors, employees or agents, in each case, in such capacities, to the board of director of SHC or any of its Subsidiaries or any committee thereof or to any director or officer of SHC or any of its Subsidiaries.
- (e) Neither SHC nor any of its Subsidiaries is a party to, or has any commitment to become a party to, any joint venture, partnership agreement or any similar Contract (including any Contract relating to any transaction, arrangement or relationship between or among SHC or any of its Subsidiaries, on the one hand, and any unconsolidated affiliate, including any structured finance, special purpose or limited purpose entity or Person, on the other hand (such as any arrangement described in Item 303(a)(4) of Regulation S-K under the Securities Act)) where the purpose or effect of such arrangement is to avoid disclosure of any material transaction involving, or material liabilities of, the Sellers in the consolidated financial statements of SHC and its Subsidiaries filed with any Seller SEC Report.

SHC is, and since the beginning of the Current Fiscal Year have been, in compliance in all material respects with (i) the provisions of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and (ii) the rules and regulations of Nasdaq, in each case, that are applicable to SHC.

Section 6.14 <u>Litigation</u>. Except as would not reasonably be expected, individually or in the aggregate, to have a Material Adverse Effect or as set forth on <u>Schedule 6.14</u>, there are no Actions pending or, to the knowledge of Sellers, threatened before, or by any Governmental Authority against any Seller with respect to the Business.

Section 6.15 <u>Sufficiency of Assets</u>. The Acquired Assets are sufficient for the continued conduct of the Business after the Closing in substantially the same manner as conducted prior to the Closing and constitute all of the rights, property and assets necessary to conduct the Business in substantially the same manner as currently conducted. <u>KCD IP Rights</u>. <u>Pursuant to the provisions of Section 9.14</u>, <u>Iimmediately following the Closing</u>, Buyer shall have the right to use <u>allthe KCD IP</u> to <u>the extent such KCD IP</u> is necessary to conduct the Kenmore/DieHard Business <u>in substantially</u> currently conducted and, in any event, to the same

mannerextent as Sellers have such right in connection with their currently conduct of the Kenmore/DieHard Business. 15

Section 6.16 No Other Representations or Warranties; No Survival. Except for the representations and warranties contained in this Article VI (subject to the disclosures set forth on the Schedules) and in the other Transactions Documents, as applicable, neither Sellers nor any other Person on behalf of Sellers makes any express or implied representation or warranty with respect to Sellers, its Subsidiaries, the Business, the Acquired Assets, the Assumed Liabilities, the Transactions or with respect to any information provided by or on behalf of Sellers to Buyer and Seller disclaims any other representations or warranties, whether made by Seller, any Affiliate of Seller or any of their respective officers, directors, employees, agents or representatives. Except for the representations and warranties contained in this Article VI and in the other Transactions Documents, as applicable, the Sellers (a) expressly disclaim and negate any representation or warranty, expressed or implied, at common law, by statute, or otherwise, relating to the condition of the Acquired Assets (including any implied or expressed warranty of merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose, or of conformity to models or samples of materials) and (b) disclaim all liability and responsibility for any representation, warranty, projection, forecast, statement, or information made, communicated, or furnished (orally or in writing) to Buyer or its Affiliates or their respective representatives (including any opinion, information, projection, or advice that may have been or may be provided to Buyer by any Representative of Seller or any of its Affiliates). The Seller makes no representations or warranties to Buyer regarding the success or profitability of the Business. The representations and warranties of Sellers will expire upon the Closing Date.

ARTICLE VII

REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF BUYER

Buyer hereby represents and warrants to Sellers that the statements contained in this Article VII are true and correct as of the date hereof:

Section 7.1 Organization and Good Standing; Organizational Documents; Ownership. Buyer is a limited liability company, duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware. Buyer has the requisite power and authority to own or lease and to operate and use its properties and the Acquired Assets and to carry on its business as now conducted and the Business. Buyer has delivered to Seller true and correct copies of the organizational documents of Buyer in effect as of the date hereof. All of the equity interests in Buyer as of the date hereof are owned of record and beneficially as set forth on Schedule 7.1.

Section 7.2 <u>Authority; Validity; Consents.</u> Buyer has the requisite power and authority necessary to enter into and perform its obligations under this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents to which it is a party and to consummate the Transactions. The

¹⁵ Note to Weil Corporate Team: Formulation agreed with Weil IP team.

execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement by Buyer and the consummation by Buyer of the Transactions have been duly and validly authorized by all requisite corporate, partnership or limited liability company actions in respect thereof. This Agreement has been duly and validly executed and delivered by Buyer and each other Transaction Document required to be executed and delivered by Buyer at any time will be duly and validly executed and delivered by Buyer. This Agreement and (when duly executed by Buyer) the other Transaction Documents constitute the legal, valid and binding obligation of Buyer, enforceable against Buyer in accordance with their respective terms, except as such enforceability is limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or similar Laws now or hereafter in effect relating to creditors' rights generally or general principles of equity. Subject to requisite Bankruptcy Court approval, as applicable, Buyer is not and will not be required to give any notice to or obtain any consent from any Person in connection with the execution and delivery of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents to which it is a party or the consummation or performance of any of the Transactions, except for (a) expiration or termination of any applicable waiting periods under the HSR Act and similar foreign competition Laws and (b) such notices, filings and consents, the failure of which to provide, make or obtain, would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a material adverse effect on Buyer's right or ability to consummate the Transactions. There are no consents of any Buyer Related Party required for the execution, delivery and performance of the Transaction Documents and the consummation of the Transactions, including for the satisfaction of any condition set forth in Article X or Article XI.

Section 7.3 No Conflict. When the consents and other actions described in Section 7.2 have been obtained and taken, the execution and delivery of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents and the consummation of the Transactions will not result in the breach of any of the terms and provisions of, or constitute a default under, or materially conflict with, or require consent or the giving of a notice under, or cause any acceleration of any material obligation of Buyer under (a) any organizational documents of Buyer, (b) any Order or (c) any Law, except to the extent any such default, conflict or consent would not affect in any material respect Buyer's ability to consummate the Transactions.

Section 7.4 Financing; Availability of Funds.

- (a) Buyer shall deliver to Sellers concurrently herewith or prior to the execution of this Agreement a true, correct and complete copycopies of:
 - (i) an executed equity commitment letter (the "Equity Commitment Letter") to Buyer from ESL Investments, Inc. (the "Sponsor"), including all annexes, exhibits, schedules and other attachments thereto, dated as of the date hereof, pursuant to which the Sponsor has committed to provide Buyer with equity financing in the amount set forth therein (the "Equity Financing") for the purpose of funding the Transactions;
 - (ii) an executed mortgage loan commitment letter (the "Real Estate Commitment Letter") to Buyer from the Cyrus Lender and the Sponsor, including all annexes, exhibits, schedules and other attachments thereto, dated as of the date hereof, pursuant to which Cyrus and the Sponsor have committed to provide Buyer with real

estate mortgage financing in the amount set forth therein (the "Real Estate Financing") for the purpose of funding the Transactions;

- (iii) the executed Cyrus Commitment Letter; and
- (iv) the executed DebtABL Commitment Letter and the related fee letter (provided that fees, economics and other provisions which are customarily redacted in connection with acquisitions of this type may be redacted in a customary manner (to the extent any such provisions would not adversely affect the conditionality, enforceability, or availability of the amount of the Debt Financing necessary to consummate the Transactions contemplated hereby)). 16
- As of the date hereof, the Commitment Letters are in full force and effect and (b) hashave not been withdrawn or terminated or otherwise amended or modified in any respect. As of the date hereof, the Commitment Letters are a legal, valid and binding obligation of Buyer and, to the knowledge of Buyer, the other parties thereto (subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent conveyance, reorganization, moratorium and similar Laws affecting creditors' rights generally and to general principles of equity). As of the date hereof, (x) there are no side letters or other agreements, contracts or arrangements to which Buyer or any of its Affiliates is a party relating to the Financing that could affect the availability of the full-amount of the Financing funded on the Closing Date asnecessary to consummate the Transaction contemplated by the Commitment Lettershereby and (y) there are no conditions precedent or other contingencies related to the funding of the full amount of the Financing that could adversely affect the availability of the Financing or the timing of the Closing, other than as expressly set forth in the Commitment Letters. Buyer has fully paid any and all commitment fees or other fees required by the Commitment Letters to be paid by it on or prior to the date of this Agreement. Assuming the satisfaction of the conditions set forth in Article X, as of the date hereof, Buyer has no reason to believe that any of the conditions to the Financing in the Commitment Letters will not be satisfied. As of the date hereof, Buyer is not aware of any fact or occurrence that, with or without notice, lapse of time or both, would reasonably be expected to result in the Financing not being available on a timely basis in order to consummate the Transactions.
- (c) Assuming (i) the accuracy of the representations and warranties set forth in Article VI of this Agreement and (ii) the performance by Sellers of their respective obligations hereunder in a manner sufficient to satisfy the condition specified in Section 10.2, the net proceeds from the Financing will be sufficient to consummate the Transactions, including the payment by Buyer of all obligations pursuant to this Agreement and any fees and expenses payable by Buyer on the Closing Date (including in respect of the Debt Financing).

¹⁶ Note to Sellers: increase in OID will affect the "full" amount of the financing but will not impact the amount of financing that we need to consummate the transactions.

(d) The obligations of Buyer under this Agreement are not contingent on the availability of the Debt Financing.¹⁷

- Section 7.5 <u>Litigation</u>. There are no Proceedings pending or, to the knowledge of Buyer, threatened, or to which Buyer is otherwise a party before any Governmental Authority, that would affect in any material respect Buyer's ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement or any other Transaction Documents or to consummate the Transactions.
- Section 7.6 <u>Brokers or Finders</u>. Except for any brokers utilized by Buyer in the normal course of business (which brokers shall be compensated, if at all, by Buyer), neither Buyer nor any Person acting on behalf of Buyer has paid or become obligated to pay any fee or commission to any broker, finder, investment banker, agent or intermediary for or on account of the Transactions for which Sellers are or will become liable, and Buyer shall hold harmless and indemnify Sellers from any claims with respect to any such fees or commissions.

Section 7.7 <u>Condition of Acquired Assets; Representations.</u>

Notwithstanding anything contained in this Agreement to the contrary, Buyer (a) acknowledges and agrees that Sellers are not making any representations or warranties whatsoever, express or implied, beyond those expressly given by Sellers in Article VI (subject to the disclosures set forth on the Schedules), and Buyer acknowledges and agrees that the Acquired Assets are being transferred on an "as is", "where is" basis. Buyer acknowledges and accepts the disclaimers made by Sellers in Section 6.16. Buyer acknowledges that it has conducted to its satisfaction its own independent investigation of the Business, the Acquired Assets and Assumed Labilities and, in making the determination to proceed with the Transactions, Buyer has relied solely on the results of its own independent investigation. In connection with Buyer's investigation, Buyer has received or may receive from Sellers certain projections, forward-looking statements and other forecasts and certain business plan information. Buyer acknowledges that Sellers make no representation or warranty with respect to forward-looking estimates, projections, forecasts or plans (including the reasonableness of the assumptions underlying such estimates, projections, forecasts or plans). Buyer acknowledges that there are uncertainties inherent in attempting to make such estimates, projections and other forecasts and plans, that Buyer is familiar with such uncertainties, that Buyer is taking full responsibility for making its own evaluation of the adequacy and accuracy of all estimates, projections and other forecasts and plans so furnished to it (including the reasonableness of the assumptions underlying such estimates, projections, forecasts or plans), and that Buyer shall have no claim against anyone with respect thereto. Accordingly, Buyer acknowledges that Sellers make no representation or warranty with respect to such estimates, projections, forecasts or

¹⁷_Note to Sellers: To discuss inclusion of reps on ownership of debt. Buyer's previous formulation would contemplate ability to buy or otherwise cash out such debt at closing, and Buyer accordingly is not providing a representation as to ownership of all debt as of signing date.

plans (including the reasonableness of the assumptions underlying such estimates, projections, forecasts or plans) or the success or profitability of the Business.

Section 7.8 No Survival. The representations and warranties of Buyer will expire upon the Closing Date.

ARTICLE VIII

ACTION PRIOR TO THE CLOSING DATE

Section 8.1 Operations.

From December 28, 2018the date hereof and prior to the Closing, except (i) as (a) required by applicable Law, (ii) as expressly contemplated by this Agreement or (iii) with the prior written consent of Buyer, Sellers covenant and agree to comply with applicable Law in all material respects and to use commercially reasonable efforts to conduct their business in the Ordinary Course of Business (taking into account Sellers' status as debtors-in-possession), including (A) to maintain and preserve the Potential Acquired Assets in the better of (x) their present condition and (y) in the case of Lease Premises, the condition required under the respective Leaseas of October 15, 2018 (including by using reasonable best efforts to comply with instructions from Buyer as to the renewal (or lack of renewal) of each Lease and other Potential Assigned Transferred Agreement that comes up for renewal), other than reasonable wear and tear, casualty and condemnation (which shall be governed by Section 12.3), and sales of Inventory in the Ordinary Course of Business, (B) by using commercially reasonable efforts to cause the landlord under the respective Leases and any applicable counterparty under the Outbound IP Licenses and any other Potential Assigned Transferred Agreements to perform such parties' covenants, agreements and obligations under the respective Leases, Outbound IP Licenses and other Potential Assigned Transferred Agreements and (C) managing Inventory in the Ordinary Course of Business, including with regard to Inventory in transit and Inventory located in distribution centers (and for the avoidance of doubt, Sellers shall not delay taking delivery of Inventory that would be Acquired Inventory on the Closing Date if delivery of such Inventory were managed in the Ordinary Course of Business prior to the Closing Date). 18 Sellers shall promptly notify Buyer of (x) any notice or other written communication from any Person alleging that the consent of such Person is or may be required in connection with the consummation of the Transactions; and (y) the commencement of any material Proceedings related to the business conducted by Sellers, the Designations Rights or the Potential Acquired Assets; provided, however, that the delivery of any notice pursuant to this Section 8.1(a) will not (A) limit or otherwise affect any remedies available to Buyer or Sellers, or (B) be deemed to amend or supplement any Schedule or prevent or cure any misrepresentations or breach of representation or warranty.

¹⁸ Note to Buyer: Seller's flexibility to manage inventory to achieve DIP level to be reviewed.

- (b) Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, from December 28, 2018 the date hereof and prior to the Closing, Sellers covenant and agree:
 - (i) not to sell, lease (as lessor), license (as licensor), transfer or otherwise dispose of, or mortgage or pledge, or voluntarily impose or suffer to be imposed any Encumbrance (other than Permitted Pre-Closing Encumbrances) on, any Potential Acquired Assets (excluding the Acquired Intellectual Property and Acquired Data, which are addressed below), other than sales of Inventory in the Ordinary Course of Business;
 - (ii) not to assign, transfer, otherwise dispose of or convey any Patent, Trademark, registered or applied-for Copyright or Domain Name included in the Acquired Intellectual Property, or any other material Acquired Intellectual Property or any Acquired Data;
 - (iii) not to assign, transfer, allow to lapse, abandon, cancel, fail to renew, or fail to continue to prosecute, protect or defend, or otherwise dispose of or convey any Patent, Trademark, registered or applied-for Copyright or Domain Name included in the Acquired Intellectual Property, or any other material Acquired Intellectual Property or, as applicable, any Acquired Data, in each case, other than registered Trademarks (A) that Sellers have ceased to use and intend not to resume use of and (B) that have entered the grace period for renewal;
 - (iv) (iii) not to license or grant any Person any rights to any Acquired Intellectual Property or any Acquired Data (other than, in each case, non-exclusive licenses granted to customers, vendors, suppliers and other service providers of Sellers to the extent necessary for their respective use of the products and services of Sellers or for the provision of services to Sellers in connection therewith and entered into in the Ordinary Course of Business) or any Acquired Data;
 - (v) (iv) not to modify any privacy policies, notices or statements in a manner that (A) limits the ability or right of a Seller to sell and transfer the Acquired Data to Buyer, or (B) limits the use of the Acquired Data by Buyer after the Closing;
 - (vi) not to settle, pay, discharge or satisfy any material Action that, in each case, would constitute a Potential Acquired Asset (for the avoidance of doubt, other than any Excluded Assets) or Assumed Liability where such settlement, payment, discharge or satisfaction would impose any restrictions or limitations upon the operation of Sellers' business or any Acquired Assets, whether before or after the Closing Date;
 - (vii) (vi) not to cancel or compromise any claim or waive or release any right related to any Potential Acquired Asset (for the avoidance of doubt, other than any Excluded Assets);
 - (viii) except as required by Section 8.1(a) or permitted under Section 8.1(b)(iii) Section 8.1(b)(iv) with respect to Outbound IP Licenses, not to amend,

supplement, modify, terminate or enter into any Leases, Outbound IP Licenses (under which a Seller is a licensor) or other Potential <u>Assigned Transferred</u> Agreements;

- (ix) (viii) unless required by Law, not to take any action, without the consent of Buyer (which may not be unreasonably delayed, conditioned or denied), with respect to Taxes or Tax matters that is not in the Ordinary Course Of Business and that (A) would materially adversely affect the Potential Acquired Assets, the Properties, Business and the Assumed Liabilities or (B) otherwise could reasonably be expected to increase the Tax Liability of Buyer or any of its Affiliates;
- (x) (ix) to use commercially reasonable efforts to cause any applicable counterparty under the IP Licenses included in the Assigned Agreements to perform such party's covenants, agreements and obligations under such IP Licenses, including with respect to quality control;
- (xi) (x) not to grant or terminate any other interests in any Potential Acquired Asset (other than sales of Inventory in the Ordinary Course of Business);
- (xii) (xi) not to seek or obtain an order approving rejection of a Lease or other Potential Assigned Transferred Agreement;
- (xiii) (xiii)—not to issue any gift cards, gift certificates, merchandise credits, return credits, customer membership or customer loyalty discount programs, coupons, groupons or other similar credits or programs at a discount or pursuant to any promotion that would result in any Seller receiving less than face value in such issuance;
- (xiv) not to (A) increase the annual level of compensation payable or to become payable by any Seller to any director or officer of any Seller, except in the Ordinary Course of Business, (B) increase the annual level of compensation payable or to become payable by any Seller to any other employee of any Seller, except in the Ordinary Course of Business, (C) grant any unusual or extraordinary bonus, benefit or other direct or indirect compensation to any director, officer or employee except as authorized by the Bankruptcy Court, (D) increase the coverage or benefits available under any (or create any new) Employee Plan (E) take any action (other than a termination of employment in accordance with clause (xiv) of this Section 8.1(b)), whether in writing or otherwise, that has or could reasonably be expected to have the effect of increasing in any manner the liability of the Buyer or any Seller for any severance or other post-termination payments or benefits otherwise payable or due to any individual or group of individuals, or otherwise enhancing, or accelerating the timing of, such payment or benefit or accelerating the funding thereof, or (F) enter into any employment, deferred compensation, severance, consulting, noncompetition or similar agreement to which any Seller is a party or involving a director, officer or employee of any Seller, except, in each case, as required by applicable Law from time to time in effect or by any of the Employee Plans as in effect on the date hereof;

- (xv) (xiv) not to terminate the employment of any director, officer or employee of any Seller other than in the Ordinary Course of Business;
- (xvi) (xv) not to enter into, modify or terminate any labor or collective bargaining agreement or, through negotiation or otherwise, make any commitment or incur any liability to any labor organization with respect to any Potential Acquired Asset;
- (xvii) (xvi) not to permit Sears Re to (A) pay any dividend or distribution, (B) issue any debt or equity securities or (C) take any of the actions described in this Section 8.1(b) with respect to its assets or Contracts; and
- (xviii) (xviii) not to enter into any agreement or commitment to take any action prohibited by this Section 8.1(b).
- (c) Without in any way limiting any Party's rights or obligations under this Agreement, the Parties understand and agree that (i) nothing contained in this Agreement shall give Buyer, directly or indirectly, the right to control or direct the operations of Sellers, Sellers' business or the Properties prior to the applicable Closing Date and (ii) prior to the Closing Date, Sellers shall exercise, consistent with, and subject to, the terms and conditions of this Agreement, complete control and supervision over the operations of Sellers, the Business and the Properties to the extent permitted by Law, including taking into account Sellers' status as debtors-in-possession in the Bankruptcy Case. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, Sellers shall be permitted to take all actions that are necessary or desirable to comply with the WARN Act, including providing any notices required under the WARN Act, and no such actions shall constitute a violation of this Section 8.1.

Section 8.2 Bankruptcy Court Matters.

Approval of Expense Reimbursement. (a) In consideration for Buyer having expended considerable time and expense in connection with this Agreement and the negotiation thereof and the identification and quantification of assets of Seller, subject to the approval of the Bankruptcy Court, (i) in the event of the Closing, at the Closing in accordance with Section 3.3(a), (ii) if this Agreement is terminated by Buyer or Seller pursuant to Section 12.1(a)(ii) or by Buyer pursuant to Section 12.1(b), within three (3) Business Days of such termination or (iii) if this Agreement is terminated due to consummation of a Competing Transaction pursuant to Section 12.1(a)(iii), within five (5) Business Days after the consummation of the Competing Transaction, Seller (or either of Seller or the successful bidder, in the case of clause (iii)) shall pay Buyer, in accordance with the terms hereof an amount equal to the amount of the reasonable and documented fees, expenses or other disbursements of the Buyer Related Parties incurred in connection with the Transactions, including the reasonable and documented fees and expenses of its professional advisors incurred in connection with the Transactions, including amounts arising from any investigation, prosecution of any claims, causes of action, adversary proceedings or other litigation or threatened litigation into the validity of the Buyer Related Parties' liens or claims and the Buyer Related Parties' ability to credit bid and any defenses prepared in connection therewith, and up to an aggregate amount of \$30,000,000 (the "Expense Reimbursement Amount"). Buyer acknowledges that this Agreement is subject to an

overbid at the Auction, and that, in the event this Agreement is terminated pursuant to Section 12.1(a)(iii), Sellers shall have no liability to Buyer under this Agreement other than to pay the Expense Reimbursement Amount as set forth herein; provided, however, that nothing in this sentence shall relieve Sellers from any liability for any willful and material breach of this Agreement prior to its termination. For the avoidance of doubt, payment of the Expense Reimbursement Amount shall not relieve Sellers of any obligation (a) in respect of any Buyer Related Party's secured debt in Sellers or (b) with respect to any other Contracts or other arrangements to which any Buyer Related Party may be a party from time to time.

(b) Bankruptcy Court Filings and Approvals.

- (i) Buyer agrees that it will promptly furnish such affidavits or other documents or information for filing with the Bankruptcy Court as are reasonably requested by Sellers to assist Sellers in obtaining entry of the Approval Order, including a finding of adequate assurance of future performance by Buyer. Sellers shall provide Buyer with advance drafts of any motions, pleadings or Bankruptcy Court filings relating to the sale of the Acquired Assets or the Approval Order as soon as reasonably practicable but in any event no later than two (2) Business Days prior to the date Sellers intend to file such motion, pleading or Bankruptcy Court filing to the extent practicable (or, to the extent not practicable, as soon as reasonably practicable prior to the filing of such pleading). Buyer may file or join in any motion, pleading or Bankruptcy Court filing in support or seeking approval of, and reply to any response or objection to, the sale of the Acquired Assets hereunder, and the Approval Order.
- (ii) Sellers shall file such motions or pleadings as may be appropriate or necessary to assume and assign the Assigned Agreements and to determine the amount of the Cure Costs; provided, that subject to Section 2.7, Section 2.9 and Section 5.2, nothing herein shall preclude Sellers from filing such motions, including from and after the Petition Date, to reject any Contracts that are not Assigned Agreements.
- (iii) This Agreement is subject to approval by the Bankruptcy Court and the consideration by Sellers of higher and/or better Competing Transactions.
- (iv) Sellers and Buyer acknowledge that Buyer (or any applicable Assignee) must provide adequate assurance of future performance under the Assigned Agreements to be assigned by Sellers, and Buyer hereby agrees to provide such adequate assurance to the extent required under the Bankruptcy Code and the Bidding Procedures Order, including by demonstrating financial wherewithal to pay Cure Costs.
- (v) [Buyer and Sellers shall provide any cooperation reasonably requested by any consumer privacy ombudsman appointed in these Bankruptcy Cases and shall use commercially reasonable efforts to take all reasonable actions recommended by such

ombudsman in any report authored by such ombudsman and approvided to or adopted by the Bankruptcy Court- in accordance with Section 10.9]¹⁹

- (vi) After entry of the Approval Order, Sellers shall not take any action which is intended to, or fail to take any action the intent of which failure to act is to, result in the reversal, voiding, modification or staying of the Approval Order.
- (vii) If applicable, Sellers shall cause any plan of reorganization or liquidation approved in the Bankruptcy Cases to permit assumption of Sellers' executory contracts and unexpired leases of real property through the end of the Designation Rights Period.
- (c) <u>Back-Up Bidder</u>. Sellers and Buyer agree that, in the event that Buyer is not the winning bidder at the Auction, if (i) Buyer submits the second highest or second best bid at the Auction or the terms of this Agreement constitute the second highest or best bid, and (ii) Sellers give written notice to Buyer on or before the tenth (10th) Business Day prior to the Outside Date, stating that Sellers (A) failed to consummate the sale of the Acquired Assets with the winning bidder, and (B) terminated the purchase agreement with the winning bidder, Buyer shall promptly consummate the Transactions upon the terms and conditions as set forth herein, including the Purchase Price.
- (d) <u>Bankruptcy Milestones</u>. The Parties will use reasonable best efforts to comply with the following milestones:
 - (i) to obtain entry of the Approval Order by the Bankruptcy Court on or before February 4, 2019.
 - (ii) to close the Transactions on or before February <u>\$18</u>, 2019.

Section 8.3 Registrations, Filings and Consents.5

(a) Subject to the Parties' additional obligations under this Section 8.3, each Party shall use its respective reasonable best efforts and, as applicable, cooperate with the other Parties, to take, or cause to be taken, all appropriate action, and to do, or cause to be done, all things reasonably necessary, proper or advisable under Laws to consummate and make effective the Transactions, including using its respective reasonable best efforts (i) to fulfill all conditions to the other Party's obligation to effect the Closing in Article X, (ii) to execute, acknowledge and deliver in proper form any further documents, certificates, agreements and other writings, and take such other action as such other Party may reasonably require, in order to effectively carry out the intent of the Transaction Documents, (iii) to make or cause to be made all registrations, filings, notifications, submissions and applications with, to give all notices to and to obtain any consents, governmental transfers, approvals, orders, qualifications and waivers from any Governmental Authority necessary for the consummation of the Transactions and (iv) not take

¹⁹ Note to Draft: Subject to discussion with privacy ombudsman.

⁵ Note to Draft: Subject to completion of antitrust filing analysis.

any action that could reasonably be expected to have the effect of delaying, impairing or impeding the receipt of any such consents, approvals or waivers.

The Parties shall duly file with the FTC and the Antitrust Division the notification and report forms (each an "HSR Filing"), that may be required under the HSR Act necessary to consummate the Transactions, as promptly as possible and in no event later than the fifth (5th) calendar day following the date hereof January 18, 2019, including with respect to Buyer causing to be filed by its Affiliates and interest holders any HSR Filings necessary to consummate the Transactions. If an HSR Filing is required, each Party shall cooperate with the other Party to the extent necessary to assist the other Party in the preparation of its HSR Filing, to request early termination of the waiting period required by the HSR Act with respect to the HSR Filing and, if requested, to promptly amend or furnish additional information under its HSR Filing. Each Party shall as promptly as practicable comply with any Laws that are applicable to any of the Transactions and pursuant to which any consent, approval, order or authorization of, or registration, declaration or filing with, any Governmental Authority is necessary. Subject to applicable Laws and the preservation of any applicable attorney-client privilege, the Parties shall promptly furnish to each other all such information as is necessary to prepare any such registration, declaration or filing. The Parties shall have joint decision-making authority with respect to the strategy for obtaining any necessary consents, approvals, orders or authorizations from any Governmental Authority, including under any Antitrust Laws. Neither Buyer nor Sellers, nor their respective counsel, shall independently participate in any substantive call or meeting with any Governmental Authority regarding the Transactions without giving the other Party or its counsel prior notice of such call or meeting and, to the extent permitted by such Governmental Authority, the opportunity to attend and/or participate. In furtherance of the foregoing and to the extent permitted by applicable Law: (i) each Party shall notify the other, as far in advance as practicable, of any material or substantive communication or inquiry it or any of its Affiliates or Subsidiaries intends to make with any Governmental Authority relating to the matters that are the subject of this Section 8.3; (ii) prior to submitting or making any such communication or inquiry, such Party shall provide the other Party and its counsel a reasonable opportunity to review, and shall consider in good faith the comments of the other Party in connection with, any such communication or inquiry; (iii) promptly following the submission or making such communication or inquiry, provide the other Party with a copy of any such communication or inquiry, if in written form; and (iv) consult with the other Party in connection with any inquiry, hearing, investigation or litigation by, or negotiations with, any Governmental Authority relating to the Transactions, including the scheduling of, and strategic planning for, any meetings with any Governmental Authority relating thereto. In exercising the foregoing cooperation rights. Buyer and Sellers each shall act reasonably and as promptly as reasonably practicable. Notwithstanding the foregoing, materials provided pursuant to this Section 8.3 may be reasonably redacted (A) to remove references concerning the valuation of the Transactions, (B) as necessary to comply with contractual arrangements, (C) as necessary to address reasonable privilege concerns or (D) as otherwise required by Law. The Parties shall bear their own costs and expenses incurred with respect to the preparation of their respective filings contemplated in this Section 8.3(b), provided, however, that Buyer shall pay the filing fees, if any, in connection therewith.

- (c) Each of Seller and Buyer agrees that it will (and will cause its Affiliates to), if necessary to enable the Parties to consummate the Transactions, use reasonable best efforts to defend against any Actions that would prevent, delay or challenge the Transaction Documents or the consummation of the Transactions, including by seeking to vacate or reverse any temporary restraining order, preliminary injunction or other legal restraint or prohibition entered or imposed (or which becomes reasonably foreseeable to be entered or imposed) by any court or other Governmental Authority that is not yet final and nonappealable, in order that the Transactions shall occur as promptly as reasonably practicable and in any event no later than the Outside Date.
- (d) Buyer shall, at Buyer's sole cost, take, or cause to be taken, any and all actions and do, or cause to be done, any and all things necessary, proper or advisable to avoid, eliminate and resolve each and every impediment and obtain all Consents required to permit the satisfaction of the conditions in Section 10.4, Section 10.5, Section 11.3, and Section 11.4, as promptly as reasonably practicable and in any event no later than the Outside Date, including by offering and causing its Affiliates to offer to: (i) sell or otherwise dispose of, or hold separate and agree to sell or otherwise dispose of specific assets or categories of assets or businesses constituting the Business or any of the Acquired Assets or any other assets or businesses owned by Buyer or its Affiliates; (ii) terminate any existing relationships and contractual rights and obligations of Buyer or its Affiliates including, after the Closing, the Business or any of the Acquired Assets; (iii) amend or terminate such existing licenses or other intellectual property agreements and to enter into such new licenses or other intellectual property agreements; (iv) take any and all actions and make any and all behavioral commitments, whether or not they limit or modify Buyer's or its Affiliates' rights of ownership in, or ability to conduct the business of, one or more of its or their operations, divisions, businesses, product lines, customers or assets, including, after the Closing, the Business or any of the Acquired Assets; and (v) enter into agreements, including with the relevant Governmental Authority, giving effect to the foregoing clauses (i) through (iv) (such actions in clauses (i) through (v), "Antitrust Actions"); provided, that such Antitrust Actions are conditioned upon and become effective only from and after the In furtherance of the foregoing, prior to the Closing, Buyer shall keep Sellers reasonably informed of all matters, discussions and activities relating to any of the matters described in or contemplated by clauses (i) through (v) of this Section 8.3(d).
- (e) Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, neither Buyer nor Seller, without the other Party's prior written consent, shall (i) enter into any timing, settlement or similar agreement, or otherwise agree or commit to any arrangement that would have the effect of extending, suspending, lengthening or otherwise tolling the expiration or termination of the waiting period applicable to the Transactions under the HSR Act or any Antitrust Laws, or (ii) enter into any timing or similar agreement, or otherwise agree or commit to any arrangement, that would bind or commit the Parties not to complete the Transactions (or that would otherwise prevent or prohibit the Parties from completing the Transactions).

Section 8.4 Financing Assistance; Additional Information.

(a) From the date hereof to earlier of (x) the date this Agreement is terminated in accordance with its terms and (y) the Closing Date, Sellers shall provide to Buyer and shall use reasonable best efforts to cause its officers, employees and advisors to provide to Buyer, such

cooperation as is customary for financings of the type contemplated by the Debt Commitment Letters and as is reasonably requested by Buyer in connection with arranging and obtaining the Debt Financing, which cooperation includes using reasonable best efforts to (i) cause the participation by one or more representatives of senior management in a reasonable number of meetings, presentations, road shows, drafting sessions and due diligence sessions²⁰ and presentations upon reasonable prior notice and in reasonably convenient locations, (ii) furnish Buyer, its Affiliates and the ABL Financing Sources²¹ with the Required Information, (iii) reasonably assist Buyer and the Financing Sources with the preparation of (A) one or more customary bank information memoranda (and, to the extent necessary, additional information memoranda that do not include material non-public information), (B) customary materials for rating agency presentations, 22 (C) syndication materials, (D) lender presentations and (E) other customary marketing and similar documents, each in connection with the syndication and marketing of the Debt Financing (including the delivery of customary representation letters and authorization letters), (iv) take all customary actions necessary and requested to permit the Financing Sources to evaluate Sellers' current assets ABL Financing, 23 (iv) furnish to Buyer, on a timely basis, the Required Information and such other customary financial and other pertinent information regarding Sellers (including information regarding the business, operations and financial projections thereof) as may be reasonably requested by Buyer to assist in the preparation of a customary confidential information memorandum or other customary information documents used in financings of the type contemplated by the ABL Commitment Letter, (v) cooperate with the Buyer's and the ABL Financing Sources' reasonable evaluation of the applicable Sellers for the purpose of establishing collateral arrangements (including conducting, at the Buyer's sole cost and expense, appraisals and field audits contemplated by the ABL Commitment Letter and providing information with respect to inventory, receivables, cash management and accounting systems, policies deposit accounts and related assets and procedures relating thereto for the purposes of establishing collateral arrangements as of the Closing and to assist with other collateral audits and due diligence examinations, (v)), in each case, to the extent customary in asset-based revolving credit facilities (including by provideing Buyer and the Financing Sources with reasonable and customary access to the books and records, properties, officers, directors, agents and applicable representatives of Sellers), (vi) (A) reasonably cooperate with the marketing efforts of Buyer and the Financing Sources for any portion of the Debt Financing, including and (B) ensuringe that the syndication efforts for the ABL Financing benefit materially from the existing banking relationships of the Sellers, (vii) permit the use by Buyer and its Affiliates of the Sellers' logos and/or Trademarks included in the Acquired Assets in connection with the syndication of the Debt Financing, provided that such logos and/or marks

21 Note to Sellers: the information is going to the Financing Sources, directly or indirectly.

Note to Sellers: there may be calls relating to financial statement due diligence. This should not be controversial.

Note to Sellers: we will have RAPs. We expect the cooperation covenant to cover assistance with these materials, as is customary. Also as is customary we do not expect this to be material incremental work, if any, since there is typically substantial overlap.

²³ Note to Sellers: we are OK deleting this bracketed language only to the extent our Compliant construct is accepted, which we think should get us to the same place.

are used in a manner that is not intended, or reasonably likely, to harm or disparage Sellers, (viii) cause Sellers' accountants, if requested, to consent to the use of their reports in any material relating to the Financing, (ix) coordinate the prepayment and termination of any existing indebtedness of Sellers that is that is being repaid or otherwise discharged under this Agreement to remain outstanding after the Closing Date, the termination on the Closing Date of all guarantees and security interests in connection therewith and the delivery of customary Payoff Letters (including the delivery of draft Payoff Letters at least five (5) Business Days prior to the anticipated Closing Date), lien releases, termination documentation and instruments of discharge with respect to the foregoing, in each case reasonably satisfactory to Buyer, (x) cause the taking of corporate actions by the Sellers that are necessary to permit the consummation of the Financing on the Closing Date as are reasonably requested by Buyer, (ix) facilitate the release and termination, effective upon the Closing, of liens, security interests and guarantees, including obtaining customary payoff and release letters (including delivery of draft Payoff Letters at least three (3) Business Days prior to the anticipated Closing Date), lien terminations and releases and other similar documents as may reasonably be requested by Buyer24 and (xix) execute and deliver any documents as reasonably requested by Buyer as are customary in financings of such type and as are accurate, and otherwise facilitate the pledging of and granting, recording and perfection of security interests in share certificates, securities and other collateral (including releasing any Liens on the Acquired Assets in connection with any existing indebtedness of Sellers) and the obtaining of appraisals, surveys and title insurance as reasonably requested by Buyer; it being understood and agreed that (A) no such corporate action will take effect prior to the Closing [and (B) any such corporate action will only be required of the directors, members, partners, managers or officers of the Sellers who retain their respective positions as of the Closing];25provided that no obligation of Sellers shall be effective until the Closing Date; provided, however, that nothing herein shall require Sellers to (A) take any action that would be effective prior to the Closing to the extent it would interfere materially and unreasonably with the business or operations of Sellers, (B) 26 waive or amend any terms of this Agreement or cause any condition to Closing set forth in Article X to not be satisfied or otherwise cause any breach of this Agreement, (EB) authorize, execute, and/or deliver any certificate, document or instrument pursuant to the Debt Financing that will be effective prior to the Closing Date, (DC) take any action that would conflict with any applicable Law, the organizational documents of Sellers or result in the contravention of, or would reasonably be expected to result in the violation or breach of, or default under, any mMaterial eContract to which any of Sellers is a party or (ED) prepare, assist in the preparation of, or otherwise provide any information that is not in the possession or control of Sellers or any other information to the extent such disclosure (x) may result in a waiver of attorney-client privilege, work product doctrine or similar privilege, provided that Sellers shall use reasonable best efforts to provide such information in a form or manner that would not waive such legal privilege (including by redacting or otherwise not

²⁴ Note to Sellers: It is customary to obtain payoff letters even with a Sale 363 order. This is also a requirement of our Financing Sources to evidence satisfaction of our refinancing condition.

²⁵ Note to Sellers: Subject to ongoing discussions on employment arrangements.

²⁶ Note to Sellers: Deleted as duplicative of the immediately preceding proviso.

disclosing any portion thereof the disclosure of which would jeopardize such privilege) or (y) would violate any confidentiality obligation of Sellers.²⁷

(b) Sellers shall not be required to pay any commitment fees or other fees or make any other payment (other than reasonable out-of-pocket costs) or incur any other liability or provide or agree to provide any indemnity in connection with the Debt Financing or any of the foregoing that would be effective prior to the Closing. Buyer shall promptly reimburse Sellers for all out-of-pocket costs and expenses (including attorneys' fees) incurred by Sellers or any of their Affiliates in connection with the cooperation of the Sellers contemplated by this Section 8.4 Section 8.4 and shall indemnify and hold harmless Sellers, their Affiliates and their respective representatives from and against any and all losses suffered or incurred by any of them of any type in connection with the arrangement of any Financing and any information used in connection therewith, except in the event such loss or damage arises out of or results from the gross negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith by Sellers or their Affiliates or, in each case, their respective representatives.

Section 8.5 Financing.

Buyer shall use its reasonable best efforts to take, or cause to be taken, all actions and to do, or cause to be done, as promptly as possible, all things necessary, advisable or desirable to (i) satisfy on a timely basis (taking into account the expected timing of the Marketing Period) all terms, conditions, representations and warranties applicable to Buyer set forth in the Commitment Letters (including any flex provisions) (or, if deemed advisable by Buyer, seek a waiver of conditions applicable to Buyer contained in the Commitment Letters) (and, for the avoidance of doubt, this clause (i) shall have no effect where the failure to satisfy such terms, conditions, representations and warranties results directly from the Sellers' failure to furnish the Required Information (or Sellers' from the failure of the Required Information to be Compliant) or breach of their obligations hereunder in a manner that would cause the condition in Section 10.2 not to be satisfied), (ii) maintain in effect the Commitment Letters through the Closing Date (as such may be amended, supplemented, modified and replaced in accordance with the terms hereof), (iii) negotiate and enter into definitive agreements with respect thereto on the terms and conditions contemplated by the Debt Financing Documents and enforce its rights under the Debt Commitment Letters (other than the Equity Commitment Letter) (as such may be amended, supplemented, modified and replaced in accordance with the terms hereof) and enforce (subject to satisfaction of the conditions in the Commitment Letters) its rights under the Commitment Letters (other than the Equity Commitment Letterpursuant to any Action) and (iv) upon satisfaction of the conditions set forth in the Commitment Letters, consummate the Debt Financing at the Closing; provided, however, that, if all or any portion of funds in the amounts and on the terms set forth in the Debt Commitment Letters, the Real Estate Commitment Letter and/or the Cyrus Commitment Letter become, or would be reasonably expected to become, unavailable to Buyer on the terms and conditions set forth therein (including any "flex" provisions related thereto) and such portion is reasonably required to fund the transactions

²⁷ Note to Sellers: We cannot accept this last sentence as it off-market and guts the entire provision.

contemplated by this Agreement and all fees, expenses and other amounts contemplated to be paid (or caused to be paid) by Buyer pursuant to this Agreement, in each case other than as a result of a breach by Sellers of any representation, warranty or covenant contained in this Agreement in a manner that would cause the Financing not to be available in accordance with the terms of the Commitment Lettersconditions in Section 10.1 or Section 10.2 not to be satisfied, Buyer shall use its reasonable best efforts to obtain substitute alternative debt financing (the "Alternative Financing") for all or such portion of such funds to the extent so unavailable, (i) in amounts and otherwise on terms and conditions no less favorable to Buyer than as set forth in the applicable Debt Commitment Letter, the Real Estate Commitment Letter and/or the Cyrus Commitment Letter and (ii) that does not expand upon the conditions precedent or contingencies to funding the Financing on the Closing Date as set forth in the applicable Debt Commitment Letters or definitive agreements Debt Financing Documents with respect to the Alternative Financing; provided, further, that, if Buyer proceeds with Alternative Financing, it shall be subject to the same obligations with respect to such Alternative Financing as set forth in this Section 8.5 as with respect to the Debt Financing. For the avoidance of doubt, references to the "Debt Commitment Letter" shall include such document as permitted or required by this Section 8.5 for such Alternative Financing from the time of such substitution.

Buyer shall provide prompt written notice of (i) any material breach or default (or any event or circumstance that, with or without notice, lapse of time or both, would reasonably be expected to give rise to any material breach or default) by Buyer under the Commitment Letters, or to the knowledge of Buyer, any other party to the Commitment Letters or definitive agreement related thereto and (ii) receipt by Buyer of any written notice or other written communication from any party to the Commitment Letters with respect to any actual or threatened material breach, default, termination or repudiation by any party to the Commitment Letters or any definitive agreement related thereto or any provision of the Financing or any definitive agreement related thereto (including any proposal by any Financing Source to withdraw, terminate, reduce the amount of financing necessary to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby or materially delay the timing of the financing contemplated by Commitment Letters). Buyer shall not consent to (i) any replacement, amendment or waiver of any provision or remedy under the Debt Commitment Letter, the Real Estate Commitment Letter and/or the Cyrusany Commitment Letter (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any provision of any fee letter or engagement letter related thereto) without Sellers' prior written consent if such replacement, amendment or waiver (A) reduces the aggregate amount of the Financing (including by changing the amount of fees to be paid or original issue discount thereof, unless, in the case of the the Debt Commitment Letters, any such change is matched from Alternative Financing to the extent required or permitted pursuant to Section 8.5(a))-(, unless such portion is not reasonably required to fund the transactions contemplated by this Agreement) or (B) imposes new or additional conditions precedent or changes the conditions precedent to the Financing or otherwise changes the terms of the Financing, in each case, in a manner that would reasonably be expected to delay in any material respect or prevent the Closing or make the funding of the Financing materially less likely to occur or adversely impact in any material respect Buyer's ability to enforce its rights under any such Commitment Letter or to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby (for the avoidance of doubt, it is understood that, subject to the limitations set forth in this Section 8.5, Buyer may amend anythe Debt Commitment Letters to add lenders,

lead arrangers, bookrunners, syndication agents or similar entities, but if and only if the addition of such additional parties, individually or in the aggregate, and together with any amendments or modifications to such Debt Commitment Letter in connection therewith, would not result in the occurrence of a modification to such Commitment Letter prohibited by this clause (i)) and (ii) early termination of such Debt Commitment Letter prior to the Closing Date (unless, in the case of the Debt Commitment Letter, the Real Estate Commitment Letter or the Cyrus Commitment Letter, Buyer has arranged for Alternative Financing to the extent permitted or required by Section 8.5(a)). Buyer shall provide to Sellers copies of any commitment letter associated with a replacement Financing or Alternative Financing as well as any amendment or waiver of any Commitment Letter (including the Debt Commitment Letter). 28 For the avoidance of doubt, references to any "Commitment Letter" shall include as such Commitment Letter is modified in accordance with this Section 8.5(b) from the time of such modification. 29

Section 8.6 <u>Trade Payables</u>. The Sellers shall make all payments in respect of payables of the Business (including rent payments and sales taxes) arising from the date of this Agreement until the Closing Date in all material respects on a timely basis and shall otherwise manage the accounts payable of the business in accordance with the Sellers' cash management policies and practices (as in effect prior to the Petition Date) in the Ordinary Course of Business; provided that Seller's obligations pursuant to this <u>Section 8.6</u> with respect to taxes are limited to taxes that are not Assumed Liabilities. Within <u>sevenfourteen</u> (714) days following the date hereof, the Sellers shall deliver to Buyer an initial report containing an aging report for all payables of the Business allocated by vendor. For the period following the date of this Agreement until the Closing Date, Sellers shall make their employees and advisors (including the Chief Restructuring Officer) reasonably available (during business hours) upon reasonable advance notice from Buyer to answer any questions Buyer may have, and provide such additional information Buyer may reasonably request, with respect to any accrued payables of the Business.

ARTICLE IX

ADDITIONAL AGREEMENTS

Section 9.1 Access to Information. Sellers agree that, prior to the Closing Date, Buyer shall be entitled, through its officers, employees and representatives (including legal advisors, Financing Sources, consultants, appraisers and accountants), to make such investigation of the properties (including non-invasive environmental site assessments), businesses and operations of Sellers' businesses (including any of the Properties) and such examination of the Books and Records of Sellers' businesses, the Acquired Assets and the Assumed Liabilities as is reasonable (and reasonably requested) and to make extracts and copies of such Books and Records. Any such investigation and examination shall be conducted in a reasonable manner (and shall not unreasonably interfere with the operations of Sellers), during regular business

Note to Sellers: parenthetical deleted since Debt Commitment Letter is clearly included in the definition of Commitment Letter.

²⁹ Note to Sellers: deleted as duplicative - we already give you a rep to this effect and it is not a covenant.

hours upon reasonable advance notice and under reasonable circumstances and shall be subject to any applicable restrictions under applicable Law. Sellers shall cause the officers, employees, consultants, agents, accountants, attorneys and other representatives of Sellers to reasonably cooperate with Buyer and Buyer's representatives in connection with such investigation and examination, and Buyer and Buyer's representatives shall reasonably cooperate with Sellers and Sellers' representatives and Buyer and Buyer's representatives shall, at all times and at the discretion of Sellers, take all reasonable measures to minimize any disruption to Sellers' business. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, no such investigation or examination shall be permitted to the extent that it would (x) require any Seller to disclose information subject to attorney-client privilege, provided that Sellers shall use reasonable best efforts to provide information in response to such an investigation or examination in a form or manner that would not waive such attorney-client privilege (including by redacting or otherwise not disclosing any portion thereof the disclosure of which would jeopardize such privilege) or (y) conflict with any confidentiality obligations to which the Sellers or any of their Subsidiaries are bound.

Section 9.2 Tax-Related Undertakings and Characterization of the Transaction.

(a) Unless Buyer makes the election under Section 2.12(b) to treat all the transactions described in Article II as Designated Sale Transactions (resulting in no transfer of Sellers' Tax attributes to Buyer): (1) Buyer shall provide to Sellers detailed instructions as to steps to take (or not take) in order to secure and preserve the qualification of any of the transactions set forth in this Agreement as a Tax Reorganization (except if and to the extent Buyer determines otherwise, in accordance with Section 2.12(b), in respect of a given transaction or a particular Seller) and to achieve the Tax Result, including, without limitation, with respect to (i) repayment, cancellation or settlement of, or other actions with respect to, intercompany accounts after the approval of the Bankruptcy Plan and on or before the Closing Date, (ii) the merger of any of Sellers' Subsidiaries with another Sellers' Subsidiaries after the approval of the Bankruptcy Plan and on or before the Closing Date or conversion of any of Sellers' Subsidiaries into limited liability companies with effect after the approval of the Bankruptcy Plan and on or before the Closing Date, (iii) the filing of any Tax elections to treat any such Subsidiaries as disregarded entities for U.S. federal income tax purposes with effect after the approval of the Bankruptcy Plan and on or before the Closing Date or otherwise taking such action to establish that such Subsidiaries have liquidated for tax purposes after the approval of the Bankruptcy Plan and on or before the Closing Date, (iv) implementation of the Distribution Requirement in a manner that is consistent with section 507 of the Bankruptcy Code, (v) satisfaction of the ownership requirements set forth in section 382(1)(5)(A)(ii) of the Code, and (vi) any other instructions that in the reasonable opinion of tax counsel for Buyer are necessary or desirable to ensure the qualification of the Tax Reorganization and the achievement of the Tax Result, and Sellers shall follow such instructions; provided that (A) such instructions shall not limit Sellers' discretion or actions in respect of (x) operating the Business and its other Assets in the Ordinary Course of Business and in compliance with the other provisions of this Agreement for all periods through the Closing Date. (v) disposing of any of its Assets if and to the extent permitted under the other provisions of this Agreement or (z) taking or refraining from taking any action required by this Agreement or under the law, including if such actions would be inconsistent with its obligations under the Bankruptcy Code, (B) if requested by Sellers, Buyer's tax counsel shall deliver to Sellers a Tax

Opinion that each and any such transaction (other than any Designated Sale Transactions) qualifies as a Tax Reorganization, and (C) nothing herein shall affect Buyer's liability for Taxes that are Assumed Liabilities; (2) subject to the preceding clause (1), Sellers agree to cooperate with Buyer in order that, for federal income Tax purposes, the transactions effected pursuant to this Agreement, together with the distributions made by, and liquidation of, Sellers pursuant to the Bankruptcy Plan, are treated as one or more plans of reorganization under section 368 of the Code and as qualifying as one or more reorganizations under section 368(a)(1)(G) of the Code (except if and to the extent Buyer determines otherwise, in accordance with Section 2.12(b), in respect of a given transaction or a particular Seller); and (3) any Tax Return in respect of a Tax imposed on any Seller for which Buyer is liable hereunder shall be prepared by Buyer, a copy of such Tax Return shall be provided to SearsSHC at least thirty (30) days prior to the due date thereof, Buyer shall consider in good faith any reasonable comments provided by Sellers, Sellers shall, if necessary for filing, properly execute any such Tax Return, and Buyer shall timely and properly file any such Tax Return and pay the amount of any Taxes shown due on any such Tax Return.

- (b) Sellers agree that (i) Buyer will suffer irreparable damage and harm in the event that any Seller does not comply with Section 9.2(a) or any instructions properly given by Buyer thereunder and that, although monetary damages may be available for such a breach, monetary damages would be an inadequate remedy therefor, (ii) Buyer shall be entitled to an injunction or injunctions against any non-compliance with, and to seek specific performance of, the agreements and covenants set forth in Section 9.2(a) and any instructions properly given by Buyer thereunder, and (iii) this Agreement shall not become effective unless the Bankruptcy Court shall have specifically approved and confirmed the availability of such injunctive and specific performance remedy for the benefit of Buyer.
- shall make (if not previously made) a valid election, effective on or prior to the Closing Date, to be classified as an association taxable as a corporation for U.S. federal income Tax purposes (unless one or more Affiliated Designees shall acquire all of the Acquired Assets and assume all of the Assumed Liabilities). Buyer shall cause any Affiliated Designee (or its regarded owner for U.S. federal income Tax purposes, if applicable) to be classified as a corporation or an association taxable as a corporation for U.S. federal income Tax purposes at all times during the period beginning on the Closing Date and ending on the effective date of the Bankruptcy Plan.
- (d) (e)—For purposes of this Agreement, (x) Taxes (other than Property Taxes) imposed on or with respect to any the Acquired Assets, the Acquired Properties, the Business or the Assumed Liabilities with respect to a taxable period that commences on or prior to and ends after the Closing Date or the applicable Designation Assignment Date, as applicable (a "Straddle Period"), shall be allocated to the Pre-Assignment Tax Period based on a "closing of the books" method as of the end of the Closing Date or the applicable Designation Assignment Date, as applicable, and (y) Property Taxes for a Straddle Period shall be allocated to the Pre-Assignment Tax Period by multiplying the amount of such Property Taxes for the entire Straddle Period by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of days during the Straddle Period that are in the

Pre-Assignment Tax Period and the denominator of which is the number of days in the entire Straddle Period.

(e) (d) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, from and after the Closing the Buyer will indemnify and hold each Seller (and its Affiliates) harmless from and against, and pay to such Seller (without duplication) the amount of any Taxes that are Assumed Liabilities.

Section 9.3 Miscellaneous Tax Matters.

- (a) For purposes of Section 3.1(a)(iv), no later than thirty (30) days prior to the Closing Date, Seller shall deliver to Buyer a schedule showing the estimated amount of Transfer Taxes, together with supporting calculations and workpapers. Such schedule shall be deemed final unless Buyer notifies Seller in writing that Buyer objects to one or more items reflected in such schedule within ten (10) days after delivery of the schedule. In the event of any such objection, Buyer and Seller shall negotiate in good faith to resolve such dispute; provided, however, that if Buyer and Seller are unable to resolve any dispute with respect to the estimated Transfer Taxes within twenty (20) days after the delivery of the schedule, such dispute shall be resolved by the CPA Firm, the determination of which shall be final. The fees and expenses of the CPA Firm in connection therewith shall be borne equally by Buyer and Sellers. For the avoidance of doubt, the estimated amount of Transfer Taxes determined pursuant to this Section 9.3(a) shall not preclude the determination of a different amount pursuant to Section 9.3(e).
- (a) Any sales, use, property transfer or gains, documentary, stamp, registration, (b) recording or similar Tax (including, for certainty, goods and services tax, harmonized sales tax and land transfer tax) imposed on or payable in connection with the sale, transfer, assignment, conveyance or delivery of the Designation Rights, the Acquired Assets or the Assumed Liabilities (or any Excluded Asset pursuant to Section 2.8(d) hereof) ("Transfer Taxes") shall be borne solely by Buyer. For the avoidance of doubt, regardless of the amount of estimated Transfer Taxes applied to reduce Purchase Price pursuant to Section 3.1(a)(iv), Buyer shall bear 100% of Transfer Taxes. Sellers and Buyer shall use reasonable efforts and cooperate in good faith in all matters relating to such Transfer Taxes (including with respect to the application of any exemption therefrom or reduction thereof). Buyer shall prepare and, except to the extent required by applicable Law to be filed by Sellers, Buyer shall file all necessary Tax Returns or other documents with respect to all such Transfer Taxes; provided, however, that in the event any such Tax Return requires execution by the other Party, the preparing Party shall prepare and deliver to the other Party a copy of such Tax Return at least three (3) Business Days before the due date thereof, and such other Party shall promptly execute such Tax Return and return it for filing. If Seller is required to file any such Tax Return, no later than three (3) Business Days before the due date of such Tax Return Buyer shall pay to Sellers the amount of Transfer Taxes shown on such Tax Return. Subject to the other provisions of this Agreement, the Parties shall reasonably cooperate with each other in any reasonable and lawful arrangement designed to minimize any applicable Transfer Taxes.

- (b) Buyer and Sellers agree to furnish or cause to be furnished to each other, upon (c) request, as promptly as practicable, such information and assistance relating to the Acquired Assets, the Properties, the Business or the Assumed Liabilities as is reasonably necessary for the filing of all Tax Returns, the making of any election relating to Taxes, and the preparation, prosecution or defense of or for any Tax Proceeding. Unless Buyer makes the election under Section 2.12(b) to treat all the transactions described in Article II as Designated Sale Transactions (resulting in no transfer of Sellers² Tax attributes to Buyer), to the extent not addressed by the foregoing, Buyer and Sellers shall also furnish or cause to be furnished to each other all documentation and information of Sellers' or any of their Affiliates as reasonably requested in connection with (i) the treatment of the Transactions as one or more reorganizations under section 368 of the Code and/or in connection with qualifying for the application of section 382(1)(5) of the Code and (ii) the Tax basis, losses and credits (including carryovers), income, gains, deductions and other attributes or Tax items of Buyer or an Assignee that are dependent in whole or in part by the treatment of any such Tax item in any Pre-Assignment Tax Period. Any out-of-pocket expenses incurred in furnishing such information or assistance pursuant to this Section 9.3(b) Section 9.3(c) shall be borne by the Party requesting it. Furthermore, except for any refund, asset or amount described in Section 2.2(h) hereof, Sellers shall pay (or cause to be paid) to Buyer any Tax refund actually received by Sellers or any Affiliate of Sellers that is an Acquired Asset, and any such refunds credited against future Taxes of the Sellers or their Subsidiaries (including any interest paid thereon and net of any reasonable out-of-pocket costs and any Taxes incurred in respect of the receipt thereof). Upon Buyer's reasonable request and at Buyer's sole cost and expense, Sellers shall (A) file (or cause to be filed) all Tax Returns (including amended Tax Returns) or other documents required to obtain such refunds and (B) take any such other action as may be reasonable and practicable to preserve Sellers' ability to file a refund claim for any Tax year. Any payments required to be made under this Section 9.3(bc) shall be made in immediately available funds, to an account or accounts as directed by Buyer, within ten (10) days after the actual receipt of the refund or the application of any such refunds as a credit against a future tax of Sellers or any Affiliate of Sellers.
- amount described in Section 2.2(h) that is actually received by any Subsidiary of any Seller that is an Acquired Asset, Buyer or any Affiliate of Buyer, and any such refunds or amount credited against future Taxes to which any Subsidiary of any Seller that is an Acquired Asset, Buyer or any Affiliate of Buyer become entitled (including any interest paid thereon and net of any reasonable out-of-pocket costs and any Taxes incurred in respect of the receipt thereof). Upon Sellers' reasonable request and at Sellers' sole cost and expense, Buyer shall (A) file (or cause to be filed) all Tax Returns (including amended Tax Returns) or other documents required to obtain such refunds and (B) take any such other action as may be reasonable and practicable to preserve Buyer's ability to file a refund claim for any Tax year. Any payments required to be made under this Section 9.3(e) Section 9.3(d) shall be made in immediately available funds, to an account or accounts as directed by Sellers, within ten (10) days after the actual receipt of the refund or the application of any such refunds as a credit against a future tax of any Subsidiary of any Seller that is an Acquired Asset, Buyer or any Affiliate of Buyer.

(d) As soon as practicable (and in any event within ninety (90) days) after the Closing Date, Buyer shall deliver to Sellers a schedule allocating the Purchase Price (including any Assumed Liabilities treated as consideration for the Acquired Assets for Tax purposes) (the "Allocation Schedule").6 The Allocation Schedule shall allocate the Purchase Price among the Sellers and among the Acquired Assets acquired from each Seller, and shall be prepared in accordance with Section 1060 of the Code if Buyer makes the election under Section 2.12(b) to treat all the transactions described in Article II as Designated Sale Transactions (resulting in no transfer of Sellers' Tax attributes to Buyer), and in any case shall be prepared in accordance with applicable law to the extent necessary to comply with reporting in respect of applicable Transfer Taxes. The Allocation Schedule shall be deemed final unless Sellers notify Buyer in writing that Sellers object to one or more items reflected in the Allocation Schedule within forty-five (45) days after delivery of the Allocation Schedule. In the event of any such objection, Buyer and Sellers shall negotiate in good faith to resolve such dispute; provided, however, that if Buyer and Sellers are unable to resolve any dispute with respect to the Allocation Schedule within sixty (60) days after the delivery of the Allocation Schedule, such dispute shall be resolved by the CPA Firm. The fees and expenses of the CPA Firm in connection therewith shall be borne equally by Buyer and Sellers. Each of Buyer and Sellers agrees to file its respective federal, state and local Tax returns in accordance with the Allocation Schedule, and any adjustments to the Purchase Price pursuant to this Section 9.3 shall be allocated in a manner consistent with the Allocation Schedule. For the avoidance of doubt, the Parties shall cooperate in determining the portion of the Purchase Price allocable to the Acquired Assets that are subject to a Transfer Tax prior to the due date of the Tax Return required to be filed in connection with such Transfer Taxes; provided, that if the parties do not agree with respect to such determination, such matter shall be resolved in accordance with the Seller's reasonable determination of the CPA Firm; provided further, that such Tax Return will be adjusted, as applicable, consistent with the procedures described above, to reflect any adjustments to the allocated Purchase Price.

Section 9.4 <u>Payments Received</u>. Sellers, on the one hand, and Buyer, on the other hand, each agree that, after the Closing, each will hold and will promptly transfer and deliver to the other, from time to time as and when received by them, any cash, checks with appropriate endorsements (using their best efforts not to convert such checks into cash) or other property that they may receive on or after the Closing which properly belongs to the other in accordance with the terms of this Agreement and will account to the other for all such receipts.

Section 9.5 <u>Post-Closing Books and Records and Personnel</u>. For twelve (12) months after the end of the Designation Rights Period, (a) neither Buyer nor any Seller shall dispose of or destroy any of the business records and files of the Properties or relating to any Acquired Assets and (b) Buyer and Sellers (including, for clarity, any trust established under a chapter 11 plan of Sellers or any other successors of Sellers) shall allow each other, any applicable Assignee and the Representatives of any of the foregoing reasonable access during normal business hours, and upon reasonable advance notice and to the extent permitted by applicable Law, to all

⁶ Note to Sellers: Please provide estimate of income and non-income taxes relating to the business and the transaction as soon as possible.

employees, files, the Books and Records and other materials included in the Potential Acquired Assets for purposes relating to the Bankruptcy Case, the wind-down of the operations of Sellers, the functions of any such trusts or successors, or other reasonable business purposes, including Tax matters, litigation, or potential litigation, each as it relates to the Potential Acquired Assets or the Assumed Liabilities, and Buyer and Sellers (including any such trust or successors) and such Representatives shall have the right to make copies of any such files, books, records and other materials. In addition, from and after the Closing Date or the applicable Designation Assignment Date for a period of sixty (60) days, Sellers will permit Buyer, any applicable Assignee and their respective Representatives access to such personnel of Sellers during normal business hours as Buyer or any applicable Assignee may reasonably request to assist with the transfer of the applicable Acquired Assets (including any related Assigned Plans and Permits), provided that nothing in this Section 9.5 shall prohibit Sellers from ceasing operations or winding up their affairs following the end of the Designation Rights Period. Following the end of the Designation Rights Period, nothing in the foregoing shall be construed to prevent Sellers from winding down their operations and dissolving their business entities as is determined by Sellers (in their sole discretion) to be in their best interests.

Section 9.6 Confidentiality.

- (a) The terms of the Confidentiality Agreement shall continue in full force and effect until the Closing, at which time Buyer's and Seller's obligations under the Confidentiality Agreement shall terminate.
- The Parties shall (i) treat and hold as confidential all Confidential Information of (b) the other Parties and their Affiliates (which, as such term is used in this Section 9.6(b) shall mean the information provided to the receiving Party by or on behalf of a disclosing Party in connection with this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents and the Transactions) and (ii) not disclose any such Confidential Information a disclosing Party to any other Person without the prior written consent of such disclosing Party, in each case for so long as such information remains Confidential Information. In the event any receiving Party is requested or required (by oral or written request for information or documents in any legal proceeding, interrogatory, subpoena, civil investigative demand or similar process or by applicable Law) to disclose any Confidential Information of a disclosing Party provided in accordance with this Section 9.6(b), then such receiving Party shall, to the extent legally permitted, notify the disclosing Party promptly of the request or requirement so the disclosing Party, at its expense, may seek an appropriate protective Order or waive compliance with this Section 9.6(b). If, in the absence of a protective Order or receipt of a waiver hereunder, the receiving Party is, on the advice of counsel, compelled to disclose such Confidential Information, the applicable receiving Party may so disclose such Confidential Information; provided that the applicable receiving Party shall use commercially reasonable efforts to obtain reliable assurance that confidential treatment will be accorded to such Confidential Information. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the provisions of this Section 9.6(b) shall not prohibit the disclosure of Confidential Information by the receiving Party to the extent reasonably required (i) to comply with applicable Law or any regulatory authority or self-regulatory organization having jurisdiction or of which a Party is a member, (ii) in connection with asserting any rights or remedies or performing any obligations under this

Agreement or any of the Transaction Documents or (iii) to such Party's Affiliates and Representatives. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the provisions of this Section 9.6(b) shall not apply to information that (A) is or becomes publicly available other than as a result of a disclosure by any receiving Party in violation of this Agreement, (B) is or becomes available to a receiving Party on a non-confidential basis from a source that, to the receiving Party's knowledge, is not prohibited from disclosing such information by a legal, contractual or fiduciary obligation, or (C) is or has been independently developed by a receiving Party. For the avoidance of doubt, following the Closing, all Confidential Information relating to the Business, the Acquired Assets or the Assumed Liabilities shall be deemed to be Confidential Information of Buyer.

Section 9.7 Employment Offers.

- (a) Buyer shall make an offer of employment to any Business Employee represented by a labor union and whose terms and conditions of employment are covered by a collective bargaining agreement ("Represented Employees") using reasonable best efforts to comply with the requirements of any such collective bargaining agreement. For any Business Employee not represented by a labor union ("Non-Represented Employees"), Buyer shall, or shall cause any of its Subsidiaries to, (i) no later than five (5) days prior to the Closing Date, use reasonable best efforts to provide a written offer of employment in a comparable position to, effective as of 11:59 p.m., local time, on the Closing Date each of such Business Employees, or (ii) to the extent required by and in accordance with Law, enter into employment agreements with each of such Business Employees. Those Business Employees, including both Represented Employees and Non-Represented Employees, who accept such offer of employment on or before the Closing Date in accordance with the provisions of such offer and continue employment with Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries, shall be referred to as "Transferred Employees."
- Subject to the last sentence of this Section 9.7(b) and Eexcept as otherwise expressly provided in this Section 9.7(b), with respect to each Transferred Employee who remains employed by Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries, Buyer shall, or shall cause any of its Subsidiaries to, provide for the period commencing on the Closing Date and ending on the last day of the calendar year in which the first (1st) anniversary of the Closing Date occurs, subject to such Transferred Employee's continued employment with Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries (as applicable) (i) (A) base salary or hourly wage rate and (B) a target short-term cash incentive opportunity, in each of (A) and (B), that is at least equal to the base salary or wages and target short-term cash incentive opportunity, respectively, provided to such Transferred Employee immediately prior to the Closing Date and (ii) a group health and welfare plan and a 401(k) plan, qualified under Sections 401(a) and 401(k) of the Code ("401(k) Plan"), that are substantially comparable in the aggregate to the group health and welfare plan and 401(k) Plan under which such Transferred Employee participates as of the date hereof. For the avoidance of doubt, (ix) the terms of this Section 9.7(b) shall apply notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any non-solicitation or similar agreement currently entered into by Buyer or any of its Affiliates and Sellers and (iii) from and after the date hereof, no such non-solicitation or similar agreement by Buyer and any Seller or any affiliate thereof entered into prior to the date hereof shall prevent Buyer from hiring (or seeking to hire) any employee of Sellers. The Parties agree to cooperate in

good faith to coordinate the establishment of benefit plans and arrangements so as to satisfy the obligations set forth in this Section 9.7(b)(ii).

- (c) Except as otherwise provided under the terms of the applicable Employee Plan, each Transferred Employee shall be given credit for all service with Sellers under all employee benefit plans, programs and policies and fringe benefits of the Business or Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries in which they become participants (i) for purposes of eligibility, participation, and vesting (but not benefit accruals), and (ii) with respect to any vacation and severance plans, programs or arrangements of Buyer or its Subsidiaries, for purposes of determining the level of benefits except to the extent such crediting would result in duplication of benefits with respect to the same period of service.
- If a Transferred Employee becomes eligible to participate in a medical, dental or health plan of Buyer (or its Subsidiaries), Buyer shall, or shall cause its Subsidiaries to, to the extent permitted by (x) applicable Law and (y) the terms of the applicable medical, dental or health plan of Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries in which the Transferred Employee participates following the Closing, cause the plan provider of such plan to (i) waive any preexisting condition limitations to the extent such pre-existing condition limitations would not have been applicable under the applicable medical, dental or health plans of Sellers as of immediately prior to the Closing Date and (ii) credit any complete or partial satisfaction of any deductible and out-ofpocket expenses incurred by the Transferred Employee and his or her dependents under the applicable Seller's or its Subsidiaries' medical, dental or health plans during the portion of the calendar year in which the Closing Date occurs. Buyer agrees to use commercially reasonable efforts to cause a medical, dental and health plan provider to provide such waivers and credits contemplated by the first (1st) sentence of this Section 9.7(d). If a Transferred Employee becomes eligible to participate in a group term life insurance plan maintained by Buyer or its Subsidiaries, Buyer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause such plan to waive any medical certification for such Transferred Employee up to the amount of coverage the Transferred Employee had under the life insurance plan of Sellers (but subject to any limits on the maximum amount of coverage under Buyer's life insurance plan).
- (e) Except as required by Law or an applicable bargaining agreement or as otherwise agreed in writing by the Parties, Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries shall provide severance and other separation benefits to each Transferred Employee terminated by Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries within the period commencing on the Closing Date and ending on the first (1st) anniversarylast day of the calendar year in which the Closing Date occurs that are at least equal to the severance and other separation benefits (excluding any long term incentive, equity incentive, defined benefit pension or retiree welfare and life insurance benefits) provided by Seller and its Subsidiaries to such Transferred Employee; as in effect on immediately prior to the Petition dDate of this Agreement.
- (f) Except as prohibited by applicable Law, each offer letter shall provide that by accepting employment with Buyer the Business Employee is acknowledging that Buyer is assuming, and Buyer shall assume all vacation days and other paid time off accrued but not yet taken by each Transferred Employee through the Closing Date, in accordance with their terms as of the date hereof. To the extent that applicable Law prohibits a Transferred Employee's

vacation from being assumed by Buyer and requires that a Transferred Employee to be paid for any vacation days and other paid time off accrued but not yet taken by such Transferred Employee as of the Closing Date without regard to any acknowledgement by such Transferred Employee to the contrary, Sellers shall pay each Transferred Employee for such vacation days.

- (g) Sellers agree to pay to the Transferred Employees (i) any bonus (including any related payroll Taxes) that such Transferred Employees would have been paid had they remained employees of Sellers through the date the bonus in respect of the calendar year prior to calendar year in which the Closing occurs is paid by Sellers, and (ii) a pro rata portion of any bonus (including any related payroll Taxes) that such Transferred Employees would have been paid had they remained employees of Sellers through the date the bonus in respect of the calendar year in which the Closing occurs is deemed earned under the applicable bonus plans of Sellers, based on the number of days in such calendar year that have elapsed as of and including the Closing Date. The amount to be paid will be (i) determined by multiplying the bonus otherwise payable for the calendar year of the Closing under the applicable Seller's and its Subsidiaries' bonus plans by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of days between January 1 of the year of the Closing and the Closing and the denominator of which is 365, and (ii) paid in the year following the year of the Closing when Seller's employee bonuses are otherwise paid. fiscal year ending February 2, 2019.
- (h) Buyer and Seller agree to cooperate in good faith to ensure that Transferred Employees do not experience a break in health coverage from and after the Closing Date. Buyer shall take commercially reasonable efforts to provide or make available the health coverage required by Section 4980B of the Code available with respect to any individual who is an "M&A Qualified Beneficiary" (as defined in Treasury Regulation Section 54.49806-9 (Q&A 4) of the Code) as the result of the consummation of the Transactions.

(i) [Reserved]

- (i) From and after the Closing Date, subject in all respects to the limitations set forth in Section 2.3(k), Buyer shall, within thirty (30) days following written demand by the Seller, with such supporting documentation as the Buyer shall reasonably request, reimburse the Sellers for the payment of any cash severance or other cash separation pay, and Seller's portion of any related employment and payroll Taxes, made by any Seller to any employee of any Seller whose employment with any of the Sellers terminated following the Petition Date or terminates on, or following the Closing Date (it being understood that this does not include any Transferred Employees who shall have become the employees of Buyer and its Subsidiaries and shall be covered by Buyer's obligations as set forth in Section 9.7(e)Section 9.7(b)), to the extent of the cash severance or other cash separation pay that has been paid on or following the Petition Date and prior to the Closing Date or would have been due and payable had such employee's employment been terminated by any of the Sellers immediately prior to the date hereof (the reimbursement Liabilities of Buyer set forth in this Section 9.7(i) Section 9.7(i), the "Severance Reimbursement Obligations").
- (i) Sellers shall retain liability for all medical, dental and health claims incurred by Transferred Employees (and their dependents) under the employee welfare benefit plans of

Sellers prior to the Closing. Buyer shall be liable for all medical, dental and health claims incurred by Transferred Employees (and their dependents) under the employee welfare benefit plans of Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries on or after the Closing. For purposes of this Section 9.7(i) Section 9.7(i), a claim shall be deemed to have been incurred on the date on which the medical or other treatment or service was rendered and not the date of the inception of the related illness or injury or the date of submission of a claim related thereto; provided, that claims relating to a hospital confinement that begins on or before the Closing but continues thereafter shall be treated as incurred before the Closing. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, with respect to any Business Employee who becomes a Transferred Employee following the Closing, any reference in this Section 9.7(j) to the Closing will be deemed to be references to the date such Business Employee becomes a Transferred Employee.

(k) (1)-U.S. Savings Plan.

- (i) As soon as practicable following the Closing Date, Buyer shall, or shall cause its Subsidiaries to, use reasonable best efforts to establish a new savings plan or designate an existing savings plan qualified under Section 401(a) of the Code and including a cash or deferred feature under Section 401(k) of the Code and a related trust thereunder which shall be exempt under Section 501(a) of the Code ("Buyer's Savings Plan") that will permit participation by all Transferred Employees who are participating in Seller's or its Subsidiaries' 401(k) Plan, qualified under Sections 401(a) and 401(k) of the Code ("Seller's Savings Plan") as of the Closing Date.
- (ii) No assets or liabilities of Seller's Savings Plan shall be transferred to Buyer's Savings Plan, other than in connection with a rollover of a Transferred Employee's account balance under Seller's Savings Plan. Except as could reasonably be expected to cause the Buyer's Savings Plan to cease to qualify under Section 401(a) and 401(k) of the Code or cause the trust to cease to be qualified under Section 501(a) of the code or otherwise result in the Buyer or its Affiliates incurring any penalties thereunder, Buyer shall permit the Transferred Employees to roll over into Buyer's Savings Plan any rollover distribution (in cash or loan notes of any "eligible rollover distribution" (within the meaning of Section 402(c)(4) of the Code)). Effective as of the Closing, Seller shall and shall cause it Subsidiaries to take any action necessary to ensure that the accounts of each Transferred Employee in Seller's Savings Plan shall be fully vested and nonforfeitable.
- (h) The Parties acknowledge and agree that all provisions contained in this Section 9.7 are included for the sole benefit of the respective Parties and shall not create any right (i) in any other person, including any Business Employees, Transferred Employees, current or former employees of Seller, any participant in any Employee Plan or any compensation or benefit plan, program, agreement or arrangement of Buyer or its Subsidiaries or any beneficiary thereof or (ii) in any other person, to continued employment with Buyer or its Subsidiaries or particular compensation or benefits coverage in any compensation or benefit plan, program, agreement or arrangement of Buyer or its Subsidiaries. The provisions of this Section 9.7 shall

not constitute an amendment to any Employee Plan or any plan, program, agreement or arrangement maintained by Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries.

(m)—Sellers and Buyer hereby agree to follow the "alternate procedure" for employment tax reporting as provided in Section 5 of Rev. Proc. 2004-53, 2004-34 I.R.B. 320 for each Transferred Employee and to cooperate with each other in furtherance thereof. Provided that Sellers provide Buyer with all necessary payroll records for the calendar year which includes the date on which the Transferred Employee commences employment with Buyer, Buyer, and not Sellers, shall furnish a Form W-2 to each Transferred Employee, disclosing all wages and other compensation paid for such calendar year, and taxes withheld therefrom.

Section 9.8 Owned Real Property.

- (a) Seller shall pay when due any and all Occupancy Expenses with respect to each Owned Real Property solely to the extent arising during the period commencing on the Petition Date through the Closing Date.
- (b) From the date hereof through the Closing Date, Seller shall use commercially reasonable efforts to maintain and preserve each Owned Real Property and all related Acquired Assets in a condition substantially similar to the their present condition. Prior to Closing, Seller shall not without Buyer's consent, and shall not solicit any other Person to, (A) sell, transfer, assign, convey, lease, license, mortgage, pledge or otherwise encumber any Owned Real Property or related Acquired Asset (other than sales of Inventory in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, Permitted Encumbrances and any applicable statutory liens (solely to the extent that such Owned Real Property or related Acquired Asset will be transferred free and clear of such statutory liens pursuant to the applicable transfer document)), (B) grant or terminate any other interests in any Owned Real Property or related Acquired Asset, (C) cancel or compromise any claim or waive or release any right, in each case that is related to any Owned Real Property or any related Acquired Assets (for the avoidance of doubt, other than any Excluded Assets), (D) take any action with respect to Taxes or Tax matters that could reasonably be expected to result in an Encumbrance on any Owned Real Property or related Acquired Assets (other than Permitted Encumbrances) or (E) enter into any agreement or commitment to take any action prohibited by this Section 9.8(b).
- (c) From and after the date hereof through Closing, Sellers shall bear the risk of loss or damage to the Owned Real Property and Seller shall continue all insurance policies with respect to the Owned Real Property or policies providing substantially similar coverages to the extent available at commercially reasonable rates (and in all instances without any reductions in the amounts of available coverage), including comprehensive public liability, casualty and umbrella liability insurance, and shall cause Buyer to be named as a loss payee or additional insured, as applicable, with respect to all such policies. Seller shall pay to Buyer on the Closing Date all insurance recoveries and all warranty and condemnation proceeds received or receivable after the date hereof with respect to the Owned Real Property. In connection with any payment of recoveries or proceeds under this Section 9.8(c), (i) such payment of recoveries or proceeds shall not include any recoveries or proceeds to the extent attributable to lost rents or similar costs applicable to any period prior to the Closing or paid in connection with repair, restoration or

replacement during such period, and (ii) to the extent that Buyer has received written notice thereof in reasonable detail not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the Closing, such payment of recoveries or proceeds shall be reduced by the amount of (x) all actual and documented, reasonable out of pocket repair costs incurred by Sellers in connection with the repair or restoration of such damage or destruction, (y) all actual and documented, reasonable out of pocket collection costs of Sellers respecting any awards or other proceeds, and (z) any amounts required to be paid (and solely to the extent actually paid) by Sellers or the insurance company to the applicable landlord under the Lease, if applicable, or to such landlord's lender as required pursuant to any of such lender's financing, as applicable.

Section 9.9 Title Matters.

- Buyer, at its own discretion and sole expense, may order preliminary title reports from a nationally recognized title company (the "Title Company") with respect to any of the Leased Premises or Owned Real Property (the property covered by such reports being referred to herein as the "Titled Property"). Seller shall at no cost, expense or Liability to Seller, cooperate in good faith with Buyer and the Title Company in connection with the compilation of title to the Titled Property and in connection with any efforts by Buyer to obtain title insurance policies pursuant thereto on behalf of itself and/or its lender, including, in the case of any efforts by Buyer to obtain lender's title insurance policies on behalf of its lender, by providing reasonable affidavits and other similar instruments as are reasonably required by the Title Company for the deletion of any standard or printed exceptions in such lender's title insurance policies that are customarily deleted by virtue of a seller delivering such instruments in commercial real estate transactions in the state or province in which the Titled Property which is the subject of such lender's title insurance policy is located. Subject to the foregoing proviso, such cooperation by Seller and its Subsidiaries shall include providing Buyer and the Title Company copies of, with respect to Titled Property, reasonably requested existing surveys, maps, existing title reports and title insurance policies and true and complete copies of the encumbrance documents identified therein, to the extent the same are in the possession of Seller or its Subsidiaries and are not publicly available.
- (b) [Sellers shall use reasonable best efforts to resolve the claims of mechanic's liens identified in section 2 of Schedule 6.5 prior to Closing, including so that the related Leased Real Property or Owned Real Property in each instance is unencumbered by anyand lien of record securing such claim. In each case where Sellers fail to resolve the claim identified in such section 2 of Schedule 6.5 (such resolution to be reflected by customary documentation evidencing a release of the subject claim and of any related liens), including where a lien securing such claim remains of record, as of Closing, the Purchase Price shall be reduced by the amount of such unresolved claim or unreleased lien.]³⁰
- Section 9.10 <u>Use of Name</u>. Sellers agree that they shall (i) as soon as practicable after the Closing Date and in any event within <u>ninetyone</u> (901) <u>daysyear</u> following the Closing Date,

cease to make use of the Trademarks included in the Acquired Intellectual Property and change the Business Names of all of their applicable Affiliates to a Business Name that does not consist of, contain or incorporate any Trademarks included in the Acquired Intellectual Property, provided that as soon as practicable after the Closing Date and in any event within thirty (30) days following the Closing Date, Sellers shall cease to make use of the Trademarks included in the Acquired Intellectual Property in connection with the Business, (ii) as promptly as practicable after the Closing Date, file a motion with the Bankruptcy Court to amend the caption of the Bankruptcy Cases to reflect a change in the name of the Sellers in accordance with the foregoing clause (i) and (iii) immediately after the Closing, cease to hold themselves out as having any affiliation with the Acquired Assets. Sellers shall promptly deliver to Buyer any relevant documentation evidencing such name change, including any name change amendment and name change notice filed with or submitted to any Governmental Authority in each jurisdiction in which such Seller or Affiliates of Seller is qualified to do business. Nothing in this Section 9.10 shall prohibit Sellers' use of such Trademarks to the extent that such use (a) is required by Law to wind down Sellers' estate or (b) constitutes nominative or descriptive fair use under United States Laws, which refers to Sellers and would not cause confusion as to the origin of a good or service, including in accurately stating the historical relationship between Sellers and Buyer for information purposes (and in a non-Trademark manner) in historical, tax and similar records.

Section 9.11 Apportionments. All charges and fees payable for telephone services, water, sewer rents heat, steam, electric power, gas and other utilities, at the price charged by the suppliers, including any taxes thereon and based upon applicable meter readings, where available, made on or immediately prior to or immediately after the Closing Date (and credits therefor to the extent paid prior to the Closing Date) that relate to Owned Real Property shall be apportioned between Sellers, on the one hand, and Buyer, on the other hand, as of midnight on the Closing Date for the period that begins prior to the Closing Date and ends after the Closing Date.

Section 9.12 Intercompany IP Agreement; Sublicenses. As of the Closing Date, all Intercompany IP Agreements and all sublicenses to any Person thereunder, in each case that are not assigned to Buyer or assumed and assigned in accordance with this Agreement, shall be, and are hereby, automatically terminated. Sellers shall take all necessary actions to cause such licenses, grants or sublicenses that are not terminated by virtue of the foregoing sentence to be terminated at the Closing Date. The foregoing provision shall not affect any sublicenses under which neither any Seller nor any Affiliate of any Seller is the sublicensee and that are not terminated pursuant to this Section 9.12 and that continue pursuant to the terms of the Intercompany IP Agreements or the relevant sublicense agreement.

Section 9.13 Release. Effective upon the Closing, in consideration for the payment by Buyer of the Release Consideration, each Seller, for itself and on behalf of each of its former, present and future Subsidiaries and controlled Affiliates (each of the foregoing, a "Seller"

Note to Draft: Subject to confirmation that this is consistent with Buyer assuming Excluded Asset-Sale Taxes in connection with a Tax Reorganization and with Section 2.1(i).

Releasing Party"), hereby releases and forever discharges each Buyer Related Party, from any and all Claims of every kind and nature, whether foreseen or unforeseen, contingent or actual, and whether now known or hereafter discovered, which any of the Seller Releasing Parties had, now has or may in the future have, at law or in equity, including, without limitation, and for the avoidance of doubt, any Claims arising under or relating to sections 502(d), 544, 545, 547, 548, 549, 550, and 553 of the Bankruptcy Code against any Buyer Related Party in any way arising out of, in connection with, pertaining to or by reason of (a) any transactions between any Seller and any Buyer Related Party prior to the Closing Date, except for claims under this Agreement or (b) where applicable, the service at any time by any Buyer Related Party as an officer or director of any Seller or any Seller's Affiliate (the "Buyer Party Release"). Each Seller Releasing Party covenants and agrees that (x) it is and will continue to be bound by the Buyer Party Release, (v) will not take any action inconsistent with such release (including commencing any Proceeding with respect to, or directly or indirectly transferring to another Person, any claim so released), and (z) will not take any action to support in any way whatsoever, any action by another Person to assert any Claim against a Buyer Related Party, provided, however, that the foregoing shall not limit the ability of a Seller Releasing Party to comply with any legal obligation to provide documents or testimony in connection with any Claim asserted by another Person.

Section 9.14 KCD IP and KCD Notes Covenants.

- (a) Commencing as of the date hereof (and, for the avoidance of doubt, continuing after the Closing Date), Sellers shall not, and shall cause all of their Affiliates (including KCD IP, LLC) not to, (i) sell, transfer, assign, encumber, allow to lapse, abandon, cancel, fail to renew, fail to continue to prosecute, protect or defend, or otherwise dispose of or convey, any KCD IP, (ii) license, sublicense or grant any Person (other than Buyer and its Affiliates) any rights to, as applicable, any KCD IP or (iii) amend, renew (or fail to exercise termination rights or option rights with respect to) any Contract pursuant to which any Seller or any of its Affiliates has granted, prior to the date hereof, any license, sublicense, covenant not to sue or other rights under any KCD IP, in each case of the foregoing without the prior written consent of Buyer in its sole discretion.
- (b) As soon as reasonably practicable after the date hereof and in any event prior to the Closing Date, Sellers shall use reasonable best efforts to cause KCD IP, LLC to grant, effective as of the Closing, a perpetual, irrevocable (provided that, if Buyer commits a material breach of its obligations under the Exclusive License, and KCD IP, LLC gives notice to Buyer specifying the basis for termination and Buyer fails to cure, resolve or remediate the basis for the breach within ninety (90) days after such notice is provided, KCD IP, LLC may convert the exclusive license granted under the Exclusive License to a non-exclusive license), worldwide, sublicensable, transferable (subject to the consent of KCD IP, LLC in certain circumstances that shall be set forth in the Exclusive License, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed), transferable (subject to the consent of KCD IP, LLC in certain circumstances that shall be set forth in the Exclusive License, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed) exclusive license (but subject to (i) any licenses under the KCD IP in effect as of the Closing Date and (ii) the license to Service.com in the form of Exhibit E of the SHIP Purchase Agreement contemplated to be entered into in connection with the SHIP Purchase Agreement) to

Buyer under all of the KCD IP used or held for use by Sellers as of the date hereof (including, for the avoidance of doubt, the Kenmore Marks and the DieHard Marks, in each case owned by KCD IP, LLC) for all purposes in connection with the Buyer's businesses (including the Business) and the natural evolutions thereof; such license shall otherwise be in the form proposed by Buyer and reasonably acceptable to Sellers (Sellers' review and approval not to be unreasonably withheld, delayed or conditioned, provided that it shall not be unreasonable for Sellers to not accept any license that it reasonably considers to constitute a sale, transfer or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of KCD IP, LLC), and shall be subject to royalties equal to those in effect as of the date hereof under, (i) with respect to the Kenmore Marks, the Kenmore License Agreement, dated as of March 18, 2006, by and between KCD IP, LLC and KMART Corporation, as amended by that certain First Amendment to Kenmore License Agreement dated as of November 29, 2009 and that certain Second Amendment to Kenmore License Agreement dated as of March 7, 2012 and (ii) with respect to the DieHard Marks, the DieHard License Agreement, dated as of March 18, 2006, by and between KCD IP, LLC and KMART Corporation, as amended by that certain First Amendment to DieHard License Agreement dated as of November 29, 2009 and that certain Second Amendment to DieHard License Agreement dated as of March 7, 2012 (the "Exclusive License"), provided that the terms of the foregoing license taken collectively shall not constitute a sale, transfer or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of KCD IP, LLC.

- (c) In the event that, despite Sellers' reasonable best efforts, KCD IP, LLC has not irrevocably agreed to grant Buyer the Exclusive License <u>effective</u> as of the Closing Date by the date that is ten (10) days prior to the Closing, and provided that any such delay is not due to <u>Buyer's acts or omissions</u>, then at Buyer's election, Sellers shall, prior to the Closing, use reasonable best efforts to obtain any Consent from KCD IP, LLC necessary to assign to Buyer those KCD Agreements that are designated for assignment and assumption by written notice of Buyer <u>pursuant to this Agreement</u>, and assume and assign such KCD Agreements in accordance with this Agreement (such that such KCD Agreements are Assigned Agreements as contemplated herein).
- (d) In the event that, despite Sellers' reasonable best efforts, KCD IP, LLC's Consent described in the above clause (c) is not obtained by the date that is five (5) days prior to the Closing, and provided that any such delay is not due to Buyer's acts or omissions, then (i) Sellers shall, prior to the Closing, assume all KCD Agreements that provide Sellers with the right to sublicense KCD IP to Buyer that are designated only for assumption only by written notice of Buyer and (ii) effective as of the Closing Date, Sellers hereby grant to Buyer, a perpetual, irrevocable, worldwide, royalty-bearing (as described in Section 9.14(b)) further sublicensable, transferable sublicense under all of the KCD IP used or held for use by Sellers as of the date hereof (including, for the avoidance of doubt, the Kenmore Marks and the DieHard Marks, in each case owned by KCD IP, LLC) for all purposes in connection with the businesses of Buyer (including the Business) and the natural evolutions thereof, provided that to the extent Sellers cannot grant the foregoing, Sellers hereby grant to Buyer a sublicense of the broadest scope that Sellers can grant under all the KCD Agreements assumed by Sellers pursuant to this clause (d). For the purpose of this Section 9.14(d)(ii), any such sublicense granted to Buyer is subject to (x) any licenses under the KCD IP in effect as of the Closing Date and (y) the license to Service.com

in the form of Exhibit E of the SHIP Purchase Agreement contemplated to be entered into in connection with the SHIP Purchase Agreement), and shall be of the broadest scope that Sellers can grant under, and subject to the terms of the relevant KCD Agreement. Buyer shall ensure that its use of the KCD IP, as provided in this Section 9.14(d) Section 9.14(d), shall only be with respect to goods and services of a substantially similar level of quality to the goods and services with respect to which Sellers used the KCD IP prior to the Closing. For the avoidance of doubt, (i) Sellers shall not reject, seek to terminate or agree to terminate the KCD Agreements assumed pursuant to this Section 9.14(d) or amend or agree to amend such Contracts in any manner that narrows any of the licenses thereunder and (ii) to the extent that Sellers cease to exist or the KCD Agreements assumed pursuant to this Section 9.14(d) expire or terminate, the sublicense granted herein shall survive.

- Solely with respect to the Exclusive License or any sublicense granted pursuant to (e) Section 9.14(d)(ii), Buyer agrees that (A) Sellers and their Affiliates (including KCD IP, LLC) shall have no responsibility for claims by third parties arising out of, or relating to, Buyer's use of the KCD IP in any manner and (B) in addition to any and all remedies, from and after the Closing, Buyer shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless Sellers and their Affiliates (including KCD IP, LLC), for so long as any Seller or Affiliate of Seller is in existence, from and against any and all third party claims that may arise out of use of such KCD IP by or on behalf of Buyer or any of its Affiliates or assignees, in each case other than claims that the KCD IP infringes the Intellectual Property of any third party. Except as provided in the foregoing sentence, all Intellectual Property licensed under this Section 9.14(b) or Section 9.14(d) is licensed "as-is" with all faults, without warranty of any kind (whether express, implied, statutory or otherwise), and Seller does not make, and Buyer hereby specifically disclaims, any representations or warranties (whether express or implied, statutory or otherwise). For the avoidance of doubt, with respect to Section 9.14(c), the allocation of the foregoing shall be determined by the applicable KCD Agreements that are designated for assignment and assumption by written notice of Buyer pursuant to this Agreement.
- (f) (e) For clarity, and not in limitation of the foregoing, Buyer (or its applicable designee) may grant a security interest in any or all of its rights and benefits under Section 9.14(b), Section 9.14(c) or Section 9.14(d) for collateral purposes to the Financing Sources in connection with the Debt Financing.
- not transfer the KCD Notes to Buyer, and Buyer shall not assume the PA Liabilities from Seller, unless and until Seller has received the requisite consent of the Bermuda Monetary Authority to the transfer of the KCD Notes (the "BMA Consent"). Immediately following receipt of the BMA Consent, the transfer of the KCD Notes and the assumption of the PA Liabilities shall take place simultaneously. From the Closing Date until such time as the transfer of the KCD Notes and the assumption of the PA Liabilities occurs, pursuant to a services agreement to be in a form mutually agreeable to Seller and Buyer, (i) Buyer shall provide services to the applicable Sellers sufficient to enable Sellers to perform the PA Liabilities and (ii) in consideration for such services, Sellers shall pay to Buyer an amount equal to the aggregate of all amounts paid by Buyer with respect to any licenses under which Buyer licenses the KCD IP.

ARTICLE X

CONDITIONS PRECEDENT TO THE OBLIGATION OF BUYER TO CLOSE

Buyer's obligation to consummate the Transactions is subject to the satisfaction or waiver, as of the Closing, of each of the following conditions; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that Buyer may not rely on the failure of any condition set forth in this <u>Article X</u> if such failure was caused by Buyer's failure to comply with any provision of this Agreement or if such failure was caused by any action or failure to act by Seller at the direction of any Buyer Related Party:

Section 10.1 Accuracy of Representations. The representations and warranties of Sellers contained in Article VI shall be true and correct as of the Closing Date as though made on and as of the Closing Date (except that those representations and warranties which address matters only as of a particular date need only be true and correct as of such date); provided, however, that the condition in this Section 10.1 shall be deemed to be satisfied so long as any failure of such representations and warranties to be true and correct (without giving effect to any limitation as to "materiality" or "Material Adverse Effect" set forth therein), individually or in the aggregate, has not had and would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. Buyer shall have received a certificate of Sellers, signed by a duly authorized officer of Sellers, to that effect.

Section 10.2 <u>Sellers' Performance</u>. Sellers shall have performed and complied with in all material respects the covenants and agreements that Sellers are required to perform or comply with pursuant to this Agreement at or prior to the Closing, and Buyer shall have received a certificate of Sellers to such effect signed by a duly authorized officer thereof.

Section 10.3 No Material Adverse Effect. Since the date of this Agreement, there shall not have been any Effect that, individually or in the aggregate, has had or could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 10.4 <u>No Order</u>. No Governmental Authority shall have enacted, issued, promulgated or entered any Order which is in effect and has the effect of making illegal or otherwise prohibiting the consummation of the Transactions (a "<u>Closing Legal Impediment</u>").

Section 10.5 <u>Governmental Authorizations</u>. Any applicable waiting period required by the HSR Act and any extensions thereof, or any timing agreements, understandings or commitments obtained by request or other action of the FTC and/or the Antitrust Division, as applicable, and any other waiting period under any applicable antitrust or competition Law shall have expired or been terminated.

Section 10.6 <u>Sellers' Deliveries</u>. Without limiting <u>Section 10.2</u>, each of the deliveries required to be made to Buyer pursuant to <u>Section 4.3</u> have been so delivered, except for such deliveries which, by their nature, cannot be made on or prior to the Closing.

Section 10.7 <u>Approval Order</u>. The Bankruptcy Court shall have entered the Approval Order, and the Approval Order shall be a Final Order not have been stayed, vacated or modified.

Section 10.8 <u>Seritage Master Lease</u>. The Seritage Master Lease shall have been amended to provide that those certain Assets that are leased to any applicable Sellers from Seritage are leased to Buyer on the current terms and conditions set forth in the Seritage Master Lease.

Section 10.9 Personally Identifiable Information. [The Bankruptcy Court shall have entered an order (which may be the Approval Order) with respect to the personally identifiable information related to or collected from Sellers' customers, consumers and end users, allowing all such personally identifiable information to be sold and transferred to Buyer, subject to no conditions or restrictions other than conditions or restrictions consistent in all material respects with the conditions and restrictions set forth on Exhibit F.]

Section 10.10 Section 10.9 KCD IP. Sellers shall have (i) caused KCD IP, LLC to grant the Exclusive License in accordance with Section 9.14(b)Section 9.14(b), (ii) obtained any Consent of KCD IP, LLC required under Section 9.14(c) Section 9.14(c) and assigned to Buyer as of the Closing Date all KCD Agreements referenced therein or (iii) assumed all KCD Agreements effective as of the Closing Date that provide Sellers with the right to sublicense KCD IP to Buyer that are designated only for assumption only by written notice of Buyer in accordance with Section 9.14(d). Section 9.14(d). 32

Section 10.11 Section 10.10 Inventory and Receivables. (i) The Cost Value of the Acquired Inventory (excluding any Pending Inventory) as determined in accordance with Section 3.4 shall be at least \$1,553,000,000 and (ii) the sum of the amounts due to Seller with respect to (A) the Credit Card Accounts Receivables and (B) the Pharmacy Receivables shall be at least \$104,000,000.

Section 10.12 Section 10.11 Outstanding DIP Indebtedness. The aggregate amount required to be paid to fully satisfy the existing indebtedness of Sellers under (a) the DIP Credit Agreement shall be no greater than \$850,000,000 and (b) the Junior DIP Term Loan shall be no greater than \$230,000,000.

Section 10.12 <u>Debt Funding</u>. Buyer shall have consummated the Financing (other than the Equity Financing) and received the proceeds therefrom.

ARTICLE XI

CONDITIONS PRECEDENT TO THE OBLIGATION OF SELLERS TO CLOSE

Sellers' obligation to consummate the Transactions is subject to the satisfaction or waiver, as of the Closing, of each of the following conditions; provided, however, that Seller may not rely on the failure of any condition set forth in this Article XI if such failure was caused by Seller's failure to comply with any provision of this Agreement:

- Section 11.1 Accuracy of Representations. The representations and warranties of Buyer contained in Article VII shall be true and correct as of the Closing Date as though made on and as of the Closing Date (except that those representations and warranties which address matters only as of a particular date need only be true and correct as of such date); provided, however, that the condition in this Section 11.1 shall be deemed to be satisfied so long as any failure of such representations and warranties to be true and correct (without giving effect to any limitation as to "materiality" or "material adverse effect" set forth therein), individually or in the aggregate, has not had and would not reasonably be expected to prevent or materially impair the ability of Buyer to perform, or to consummate the Transactions. Sellers shall have received a certificate of Buyer, signed by a duly authorized officer of Buyer, to that effect.
- Section 11.2 <u>Buyer's Performance</u>. Buyer shall have performed and complied with in all material respects the covenants and agreements that Buyer is required to perform or comply with pursuant to this Agreement at or prior to the Closing, and Sellers shall have received a certificate of Buyer to such effect signed by a duly authorized officer thereof.
 - Section 11.3 No Order. No Closing Legal Impediment shall be in effect.
- Section 11.4 Governmental Authorizations. Any applicable waiting period required by the HSR Act and any extensions thereof, or any timing agreements, understandings or commitments obtained by request or other action of the FTC and/or the Antitrust Division, as applicable, and any other waiting period under any applicable antitrust or competition Law shall have expired or been terminated.
- Section 11.5 <u>Buyer's Deliveries</u>. Each of the deliveries required to be made to Sellers pursuant to <u>Section 4.2</u> shall have been so delivered, except for such deliveries which, by their nature, cannot be made on or prior to the Closing.
- Section 11.6 <u>Bidding Procedures Order</u>. The Bankruptcy Court shall have entered the Bidding Procedures Order, and such Order shall not have been stayed, vacated or modified.
- Section 11.7 <u>Approval Order in Effect</u>. The Bankruptcy Court shall have entered the Approval Order and the Approval Order shall be a Final Order; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that it shall not be a condition to Sellers' obligation to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement that the Approval Order be a Final Order if the Approval Order is not a Final Order

solely as a result of an appeal of the relief granted pursuant to the Approval Order which appeal has not resulted in a stay of the Approval Order.not have been stayed, vacated or modified.

Section 11.8 Pay-Down of Real Estate 2020 Loan. To the extent not previously provided, at least two (2) Business Days prior to the Closing Date, the Sellers shall provide to the agent under the Real Estate 2020 Loan all proceeds from the sale or other disposition of collateral pledged to secure the Real Estate 2020 Loan that were closed prior to the Closing Date, including, without limitation the proceeds held in a segregated account pursuant to paragraph 27 of the Order (I) Approving the Sale of Certain Real Property, (II) Authorizing the Assumption and Assignment of Certain Unexpired Leases in Connection therewith, and (III) Granting Related Relief [Docket No. 1393].

ARTICLE XII

TERMINATION

Section 12.1 <u>Termination Events</u>. Anything contained in this Agreement to the contrary notwithstanding, this Agreement may be terminated at any time prior to the Closing:

(a) by either Sellers or Buyer:

- (i) if the Bankruptcy Court shall have determined that it will not enter the Approval Order or if a Governmental Authority of competent jurisdiction shall have enacted, issued, promulgated, enforced or entered any final and non-appealable applicable Law (including any Order) which is in effect and has the effect of making the Transactions illegal or otherwise restraining or prohibiting consummation of the Transactions and which is not satisfied, resolved or preempted by the Approval Order; provided, however, that the right to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this Section 12.1(a)(i) shall not be available to any Party whose material breach of any of its representations, warranties, covenants or agreements contained herein results in or causes such event;
- (ii) if the Closing shall not have occurred by 11:59 p.m. New York City time on February 1819, 2019 (the "Outside Date"); 33 provided, however, that the right to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this Section 12.1(a)(ii) shall not be available to any Party whose material breach of any of its representations, warranties, covenants or agreements contained herein results in the failure of the Closing to be consummated by such time;
- (iii) if Sellers accept or agree to any Competing Transaction or upon approval by the Bankruptcy Court of, or the filing by or on behalf of any Seller of a motion or other request to approve, a Competing Transaction; provided, however, that if Seller,

³³ Note to Draft: February 18 is President's Day, when the banks are closed.

pursuant to <u>Section 8.2(c)</u> and the Bidding Procedures Order, has designated Buyer as a "Back-Up Bidder," then Buyer shall not be permitted to terminate this Agreement prior to the Outside Date except as consistent with the terms of <u>Section 8.2(c)</u> and the Bidding Procedures Order; or

(iv) by mutual written consent of Sellers and Buyer.

(b) by Buyer:

- (i) in the event of any breach by any Seller of any of its agreements, covenants, representations or warranties contained herein that would result in the failure of a condition set forth in Section 10.1 or Section 10.2 to be satisfied, and the failure of Sellers to cure such breach by the earlier of (A) the Outside Date and (B) the date that is fifteen (15) days after receipt of a notice in writing from Buyer of their intention to exercise their rights under this Section 12.1(b)(i) as a result of such breach; provided, however, that that the right to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this Section 12.1(b)(i) shall not be available to Buyer if Buyer is in breach of any of its representations, warranties, covenants or agreements contained herein in a manner that would result in the failure of a condition set forth in Article XI to be satisfied;
- (ii) if any of the Bankruptcy Cases is dismissed or converted to a case under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code; or
- (iii) if the Bankruptcy Court has not approved the consummation of the Transactions on or before <u>January 31February 4</u>, 2019, or if the Approval Order has not been entered on or before <u>January 31February 4</u>, 2019 (or is vacated or stayed as of such date).

(c) by Sellers:

- (i) in the event of any breach by Buyer of any of its agreements, covenants, representations or warranties contained herein that would result in the failure of a condition set forth in Section 11.1 or Section 11.2 to be satisfied, and the failure of Buyer to cure such breach by the earlier of (A) the Outside Date and (B) the date that is fifteen (15) days after receipt of a notice in writing from Sellers of their intention to exercise their rights under this Section 12.1(c)(i) as a result of such breach; provided, however, that that the right to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this Section 12.1(c)(i) shall not be available to Seller if Sellers are themselves in breach of any of their representations, warranties, covenants or agreements contained herein, in each case in a manner that results in the failure of a condition set forth in Article X to be satisfied; or
- (ii) if the Bankruptcy Court has not approved the consummation of the Transactions on or before January 31 February 4, 2019, or if the Approval Order has not been entered on or before January 31 February 4, 2019 (or is vacated or stayed as of such date). or

than those conditions that by their nature are to be satisfied by actions taken at the Closing, but which would be satisfied if the Closing Date were the date of such termination, or would have been satisfied, assuming the Closing had in fact occurred), (B) Buyer failed to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement by the time set forth in Section 4.1, (C) Sellers have irrevocably confirmed to Buyer in writing that all the conditions in Article XI have been satisfied (or that it is willing to waive any unsatisfied conditions set forth in Article XI) and that Sellers have indicated to Buyer in writing that Sellers are ready, willing and able to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, (D) Sellers have given Buyer written notice at least two (2) Business Days prior to such termination stating Sellers' intention to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this Section 12.1(c)(iii), and (E) Buyer fails to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement within such two (2) Business Day period.

Section 12.2 Effect of Termination.

- Subject to Section 8.2(a) Section 8.2(a) and the first sentence of Section 12.2(b), (a) in the event of any termination of this Agreement pursuant to Section 12.1, this Agreement (other than the provisions set forth in this Section 12.2, Section 12.3 and Article XIII) shall forthwith become null and void and be deemed of no further force and effect. Subject to Section 8.2(a) Section 8.2(a), Section 12.2(b) and the provisions set forth in the immediately preceding sentence, there shall be no liability or obligation thereafter on the part of any Party. Notwithstanding the foregoing, subject to the second sentence of Section 12.2(b) Section 12.2(b), any such termination shall not limit any Party's liability for any willful and material breach prior to the time of such termination. For purposes of this Agreement, "willful and material breach" means a material inaccuracy or breach of any material representation, warranty or covenant or other agreement set forth in this Agreement that is a consequence of an act or failure to act by or on behalf of the breaching Party with knowledge that the taking of such act or failure to take such act would, or would reasonably be expected to, result in a breach of this Agreement. In the event of any valid termination of this Agreement pursuant to Section 12.1 Section 12.1 (other than a termination by Sellers pursuant to Section 12.1(c)(i) or Section 12.1(c)(iii), Sellers shall promptly (and in no event later than two (2) Business Days following such termination) return to Buyer the Deposit Amount and any other deposit delivered by Buyer to Sellers pursuant to the Bidding Procedures Order. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, except for a case of a willful and material breach, the maximum liability of the Seller and its Subsidiaries under this Agreement shall not exceed the Expense Reimbursement Amount \$30,000,000.
- (b) In the event of any valid termination of this Agreement by Sellers pursuant to Section 12.1(c)(i) or Section 12.1(c)(iii), then Sellers, as Sellers' sole and exclusive remedy as a result of such termination, shall have the right to retain the Deposit Amount, if any. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, the maximum liability of Buyer under this Agreement shall not exceed the Deposit Amount.
- Section 12.3 <u>Termination and Adjustment Rights of Buyer as to Properties and Related Acquired Assets.</u>

If a material portion of any Lease Premises, a material portion of any Owned Real Property, or a material portion of the Potential Acquired Assets related to the Lease Premises is materially damaged or destroyed, or the physical condition thereof is materially and adversely changed (including as a result of failure of proper repair or maintenance or environmental contamination that occurs from and after December 28, 2018the date hereof), or any Lease Premises or Owned Real Property is subject to a condemnation or other governmental taking of a material portion thereof or any shopping center in which a Lease Premises is located is damaged, destroyed or condemned such that the operations of such Lease Premises are materially and adversely affected (each of the foregoing, a "Casualty / Condemnation Event") at any time from the date of this Agreement up to and including the Closing, Sellers shall provide prompt written notice of such Casualty / Condemnation Event to Buyer. If such Casualty / Condemnation Event is such that (i) restoration of such Lease Premises or Owned Real Property to substantially the same condition as prior to such Casualty / Condemnation Event would take six (6) months or longer, (ii) in the case of a condemnation, to the extent such Lease Premises, Owned Real Property, shopping center or other area cannot be substantially restored to the same condition as prior to such condemnation or alternate modifications made to enable operations in a substantially similar manner, (iii) the applicable landlord shall have the right to terminate the related Lease and such right has not been waived or has not expired or (iv) any applicable landlord, lender or other third party is entitled to receive the awards or proceeds otherwise attributable to the leasehold interest, in the case of a Lease Premises (and is not required to make such award or proceeds available for purposes of restoration and repair or replacement) (each, a "Material Casualty / Condemnation Event"), Buyer shall elect within ten (10) days after notice of such Casualty / Condemnation Event from Sellers (which notice, in the case of a Material Casualty / Condemnation Event, shall specify that such Casualty / Condemnation Event constitutes a Material Casualty / Condemnation Event), together with Sellers' best estimate of the net amount of insurance proceeds and/or condemnation award available to Buyer pursuant to Section 12.3(c) -Section 12.3(b) (including any deductions pursuant Section 12.3(c) Section 12.3(b)), to either (A) in the case of a Lease Premises, acquire Designation Rights with respect to such Lease Premises at the Closing or, in the case of Owned Real Property, acquire such Owned Real Property at the Closing and, in either case, Sellers shall assign to Buyer any right Sellers have to any insurance proceeds or condemnation award or proceeds relating to such Casualty/Condemnation Event at the Closing (with a credit to Buyer against the Purchase Price for any deductible required under such insurance including any insurance proceeds actually received by Sellers, but less, as provided in Section 5.1(a)(v), (x) any amounts used by any Seller for restoration, repair or replacement and (y) any recoveries or proceeds to the extent attributable to lost rents or similar costs applicable to any period prior to the Closing) or (B) in the case of a Lease Premises, decline to acquire Designation Rights with respect to such Lease Premises or, in the case of Owned Real Property, decline to acquire such Owned Real Property, in which case the Purchase Price shall not be reduced by the portion thereof allocated to such Lease Premises or (but, in the case of Owned Real Property, as determined by agreement of the parties hereto or by the Bankruptcy CourtSeller shall assign to Buyer any right Sellers have to any insurance proceeds or condemnation award relating to any such Casualty/Condemnation Event at Closing. For the avoidance of doubt, Casualty / Condemnation Events that are subject to this Section 12.3(a) are only those occurring during the period from the date of this Agreement up to and including the Closing. Additionally, in the case

of any Owned Real Property identified in section 4 of Schedule 6.6(a) with respect to which a claim for damages to buildings or fixtures is pending as of the date of this Agreement, (i) Sellers shall assign to Buyer any right Sellers have to any insurance proceeds relating to such claim at the Closing (with a credit to Buyer against the Purchase Price for any deductible required under such insurance (but less, as provided in Section 5.1(a)(v)Section 5.1(a)(v), (x) any amounts used by any Seller for restoration, repair or replacement and (y) any recoveries or proceeds to the extent attributable to lost rents or similar costs applicable to any period prior to the Closing) and (ii) to the extent the insurance proceeds assigned to Buyer pursuant to clause (i) are less than the amount of such claim (minus any applicable deductible) as set forth in such section 4 of Schedule 6.6(a), the Purchase Price shall not be reduced by the amount of such deficiency.

- (b) In the case of a casualty or condemnation occurring prior to Closing other than a Material Casualty / Condemnation Event, Sellers shall give Buyer prompt written notice thereof and (i) Sellers may elect to restore such Lease Premises or Owned Real Property but shall have no obligation to do so (and shall give Buyer prompt written notice of such election), and (ii) if, in the case of a Lease Premises, Buyer shall elect to acquire the related Designation Rights or, in the case of Owned Real Property, Buyer shall elect to acquire such Owned Real Property, in either case pursuant to Section 12.3(a)(A) above Sellers shall, at the Closing, assign to Buyer all awards or other proceeds for such taking by eminent domain or condemnation or the right to receive proceeds of any insurance for such damage or destruction (to the extent not applied as provided in clause (i) of this Section 12.3(b) and not attributable to Sellers' lost rents or like amounts applicable to any period prior to the applicable Closing and with a credit to Buyer against the Purchase Price for any deductible required under such insurance).
- (b) (e) In connection with any assignment of awards, proceeds or insurance under this Section 12.3, (i) such assignment of proceeds or awards shall not include any awards, proceeds or insurance to the extent attributable to lost rents or similar costs applicable to any period prior to the applicable Closing or paid in connection with repair, restoration or replacement during such period, and (ii) to the extent that Buyer has received written notice thereof in reasonable detail not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the Closing, such assignment of proceeds or awards shall be reduced by the amount of (x) all actual and documented, reasonable out-of-pocket repair costs incurred by Sellers in connection with the repair or restoration of such damage or destruction, (y) all actual and documented, reasonable out-of-pocket collection costs of Sellers respecting any awards or other proceeds, and (z) any amounts required to be paid (and solely to the extent actually paid) by Sellers or the insurance company to the applicable landlord under the Lease, if applicable, or to such landlord's lender as required pursuant to any of such lender's financing, as applicable.
- (c) (d)—Buyer shall have the right, prior to Closing, to decline to acquire (i) Designation Rights with respect to any Lease and related Potential Acquired Assets or (ii) any Acquired Assets, in each case if and only if any Consent from any Person (other than a Governmental Authority) has not been obtained from such Person or has not otherwise been provided for pursuant to the Approval Order, the absence of which prevents the acquisition or exercise of the Designation Rights with respect to such Lease and related Potential Acquired Assets or the acquisition of such Acquired Assets; provided, that if the failure to obtain such

Consent is curable, Sellers shall have until the earlier of (i) the Closing Date or (ii) ten (10) days after receipt of Buyer's notice of intent to terminate to obtain such Consent; and provided, (c) further that, for the avoidance of doubt, the provisions of this Section 12.3(d) shall not apply with respect to any license (incoming or outgoing) of any Intellectual Property.

ARTICLE XIII

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 13.1 <u>Public Announcements</u>. Except as required by applicable Law (including any Order by the Bankruptcy Court) or pursuant to filings by Sellers with, or in any proceeding before, the Bankruptcy Court, Sellers shall not issue any press release, or make any public announcement concerning this Agreement or the Transactions without first consulting Buyer.

Section 13.2 Notices. Any notice, consent or other communication required or permitted under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be delivered (a) in person, (b) via email or (c) by a nationally recognized courier for overnight delivery service. A notice or communication shall be deemed to have been effectively given (i) if in person, upon personal delivery to the Party to whom the notice is directed, (ii) if via e-mail, on the date of successful transmission and (iii) if by nationally recognized courier, one Business Day after delivery to such courier. Rejection or other refusal to accept or inability to deliver because of changed address of which no notice has been received shall also constitute receipt. Any such notice, election, demand, request or response shall be addressed as follows:

If to Sellers, then to: Sears Holdings Corporation 3333 Beverly Road Hoffman Estates, IL 60179 Attention: General Counsel E-mail: counsel@searshc.com

with a copy (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP
767 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10153
Attention: Ray C. Schrock, P.C., Ellen J. Odoner, Gavin Westerman and Sunny
Singh
E-mail: Ray.Schrock@weil.com; Ellen.Odoner@weil.com;
Gavin.Westerman@weil.com; Sunny.Singh@weil.com

If to Buyer, then to: Transform Holdco LLC c/o ESL Partners, Inc.. 1170 Kane Concourse, Suite 200 Bay Harbor Islands, FL 33154 Attention: Kunal S. Kamlani and Harold Talisman

Facsimile: (305) 864-1370

E-mail: kunal@eslinvest.com; harold@eslinvest.com

with a copy (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP One Liberty Plaza New York, NY 10006

Attention: Christopher E. Austin, Benet J. O'Reilly and Sean A. O'Neal E-mail: caustin@cgsh.com; boreilly@cgsh.com; soneal@cgsh.com

Section 13.3 Amendment; Waiver. No amendment, modification or discharge of this Agreement, and no waiver hereunder, shall be valid or binding unless set forth in writing and duly executed by each Party; provided that this Section 13.3, Section 13.6, Section 13.8, Section 13.10 or Section 13.12, in each case as such Sections relate to the Financing Sources, may not be amended in a manner adverse to the Financing Sources without the prior written consent of the applicable Financing Source under the applicable Debt Commitment Letter. Any such waiver shall constitute a waiver only with respect to the specific matter described in such writing and shall in no way impair the rights of the Party granting such waiver in any other respect or at any other time. Neither the waiver by any of the Parties of a breach of or a default under any of the provisions of this Agreement, nor the failure by any of the Parties, on one or more occasions, to enforce any of the provisions of this Agreement or to exercise any right or privilege hereunder shall be construed as a waiver of any other breach or default of a similar nature, or as a waiver of any of such provisions, rights or privileges hereunder. No course of dealing between or among the Parties shall be deemed effective to modify, amend or discharge any part of this Agreement or any rights to payment of any Party under or by reason of this Agreement.

Section 13.4 Entire Agreement. This Agreement (including the Schedules and the Exhibits), the Confidentiality Agreement and the other Transaction Documents contain all of the terms, conditions and representations and warranties agreed to by the Parties relating to the subject matter of this Agreement and supersede all prior and contemporaneous agreements, understandings, negotiations, correspondence, undertakings and communications of the Parties or their representatives, oral or written, respecting such subject matter. The representations, warranties, covenants and agreements contained in this Agreement (including the Schedules and the Exhibits) and the other Transaction Documents are intended, among other things, to allocate the economic cost and the risks inherent in the Transactions, including risks associated with matters as to which the party making such representations and warranties has no knowledge or only incomplete knowledge, and such representations and warranties may be qualified by disclosures contained in the Schedules. Consequently, Persons other than the Parties may not rely upon the representations and warranties in this Agreement as characterizations of actual facts or circumstances as of the date of this Agreement or as of any other date.

Section 13.5 No Presumption as to Drafting. Each of the Parties acknowledges that it has been represented by legal counsel in connection with this Agreement and the other

Transaction Documents and the Transactions. Accordingly, any rule of law or any legal decision that would require interpretation of any claimed ambiguities in this Agreement or the Transaction Documents against the drafting party has no application and is expressly waived.

Section 13.6 <u>Assignment</u>. Subject to Buyer's express rights of assignment with respect to any Assignee, this Agreement, and the rights, interests and obligations hereunder, shall not be assigned by any Party by operation of Law or otherwise without the express written consent of the other Parties (which consent maybe granted or withheld in the sole discretion of such other Party); <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that Buyer shall be permitted, upon prior notice to Sellers but without consent of Sellers, to assign all or any part of its rights or obligations hereunder to an Affiliate (an "<u>Affiliated Designee</u>"); <u>provided</u> that such assignment would not reasonably be expected to prevent or materially impair or delay the consummation of the Transactions or otherwise be materially adverse to Sellers; <u>provided further</u> Buyer shall be permitted to, at or after the Closing, collaterally assign its rights under this Agreement for purposes of creating a security interest or otherwise assigning collateral to the Financing Sources in connection with the <u>Debt</u> Financing; <u>provided further</u> that that no such assignment shall relieve Buyer of any of its obligations under this Agreement.

Section 13.7 Severability. The provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed severable, and the invalidity or unenforceability of any provision shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the other provisions hereof. If any provision of this Agreement, or the application thereof to any Person or any circumstance, is invalid or unenforceable, (a) a suitable and equitable provision shall be substituted therefor in order to carry out, so far as may be valid and enforceable, the intent and purpose of such invalid or unenforceable provision and (b) the remainder of this Agreement and the application of such provision to other Persons or circumstances shall not be affected by such invalidity or unenforceability.

Section 13.8 Governing Law; Consent to Jurisdiction and Venue; Jury Trial Waiver.

Except to the extent the mandatory provisions of the Bankruptcy Code apply, this Agreement and all claims or causes of action (whether in contract or in tort, in law or in equity or granted by statute) that may be based upon, arise out of or relate to this Agreement or the negotiation, execution or performance of this Agreement (including any claim or cause of action based upon, arising out of or related to any representation or warranty made in or in connection with this Agreement or as an inducement to enter into this Agreement) shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of Delaware applicable to Contracts made and to be performed entirely in such state without regard to principles of conflicts or choice of laws or any other Law that would make the laws of any other jurisdiction other than the State of Delaware applicable hereto. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, all claims or causes of action (whether in contract or tort) brought against the Financing Sources that may be based upon, arise out of or relate to this Agreement or the negotiation, execution or performance of this Agreement (including any claim or cause of action based upon, arising out of or related to any representation or warranty made in or in connection with this Agreement), including any dispute arising out of or relating in any way to the Financing or the performance thereof or the transactions contemplated thereby, shall be governed by the Laws of the State of New York, without giving effect to any choice of law or conflict of law rules or provisions (whether of the

State of New York or any other jurisdiction) that would cause the application of the Laws of any jurisdiction other than the State of New York.

- Without limitation of any Party's right to appeal any Order of the Bankruptcy Court, (i) the Bankruptcy Court shall retain exclusive jurisdiction to enforce the terms of this Agreement and to decide any claims or disputes which may be based upon, arise out of or relate to this Agreement, any breach or default hereunder, or the Transactions and (ii) any and all claims relating to the foregoing shall be filed and maintained only in the Bankruptcy Court, and the Parties hereby consent and submit to the exclusive jurisdiction and venue of the Bankruptcy Court and irrevocably waive the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of any such Proceeding; provided, however, that, if the Bankruptcy Case is closed, all Proceedings based upon, arising out of or relating to this Agreement shall be heard and determined in the Delaware Court of Chancery and any state appellate court therefrom within the State of Delaware (or in the event (but only in the event) that such court does not have subject matter jurisdiction over such Proceeding in the United States District Court for the District of Delaware and any federal appellate court therefrom, and the Parties hereby (a) irrevocably and unconditionally submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Delaware Court of Chancery and any state appellate court therefrom within the State of Delaware (or in the event (but only in the event) that such court does not have subject matter jurisdiction over such Proceeding in the United States District Court for the District of Delaware and any federal appellate court therefrom) with respect to all Proceedings based upon, arising out of or relating to this Agreement and the Transactions (whether in contract or in tort, in law or in equity or granted by statute); (b) agree that all claims with respect to any such Proceeding shall be heard and determined in such courts and agrees not to commence any Proceeding relating to this Agreement or the Transactions (whether in contract or in tort, in law or in equity or granted by statute) except in such courts; (c) irrevocably and unconditionally waive any objection to the laying of venue of any Proceeding based upon, arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the Transactions and irrevocably and unconditionally waives the defense of an inconvenient forum; and (d) agree that a final judgment in any such Proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by Law. The Parties agree that any violation of this Section 13.8(b) shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement and shall constitute irreparable harm. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, each of the Parties agrees that it will not bring or support any person in any Proceeding of any kind or description, whether in law or in equity, whether in contract or in tort or otherwise, against any of the Financing Sources in any way relating to this Agreement or any of the transaction contemplated by this Agreement, including any dispute arising out of or relating in any way to the Debt Commitment Letter or the performance thereof or the financings contemplated thereby, in any forum other than the federal and New York state courts located in the Borough of Manhattan within the City of New York and any appellate courts therefrom.
- (c) EACH PARTY HEREBY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY PROCEEDING DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY BASED UPON, ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY (WHETHER IN CONTRACT OR IN TORT, IN LAW OR IN

EQUITY OR GRANTED BY STATUTE). EACH PARTY (A) CERTIFIES THAT NO REPRESENTATIVE, AGENT OR ATTORNEY OF ANY OTHER PARTY HAS REPRESENTED, EXPRESSLY OR OTHERWISE, THAT SUCH OTHER PARTY WOULD NOT, IN THE EVENT OF LITIGATION, SEEK TO ENFORCE THE FOREGOING WAIVER AND (B) ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT AND THE OTHER PARTY HAVE BEEN INDUCED TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT BY, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE MUTUAL WAIVERS AND CERTIFICATIONS IN THIS SECTION 13.8.

Section 13.9 <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts (including via electronic transmission in portable document format (pdf)) with the same effect as if the signatures to each counterpart were upon a single instrument, and all such counterparts together shall be deemed an original of this Agreement. This Agreement shall become effective when, and only when, each Party shall have received a counterpart hereof signed by the other Party. Delivery of an executed counterpart hereof by means of electronic transmission in portable document format (pdf) shall have the same effect as delivery of a physically executed counterpart in person.

Section 13.10 Parties in Interest; No Third Party Beneficiaries. Except as set forth in Section 13.12, nothing in this Agreement shall confer any rights, benefits, remedies, obligations, liabilities or claims hereunder upon any Person not a Party or a permitted assignee of a Party; provided that the Financing Sources are intended third party beneficiaries of Section 9.14(b) (e), Section 10.10, this Section 13.10, Section 13.6, Section 13.8 and Section 13.12.

Section 13.11 Fees and Expenses. The Parties agree that, except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement, each Party shall bear and pay all costs, fees and expenses that it incurs, or which may be incurred on its behalf, in connection with this Agreement and the Transactions. The <u>pre-Closing</u> costs of any privacy ombudsman shall be borne equally between Buyer, on the one hand, and Sellers, on the other hand, to the extent such costs are incurred in relation to the Transactions.

Section 13.12 Non-Recourse. All Claims and Liabilities that may be based upon, in respect of, arise under, out or by reason of, be connected with or relate in any manner to this Agreement, the negotiation, execution or performance of this Agreement (including any representation or warranty made in connection with or as an inducement to this Agreement) or the Transactions may be made only against (and are those solely of) the Persons that are expressly identified as Parties to this Agreement. No other Person, including any Buyer Related Party (other than Buyer) or any of the Parties' Affiliates, directors, officers, employees, incorporators, members, partners, managers, stockholders, agents, attorneys, or representatives of, or any financial advisors or lenders to (including the Financing Sources in their capacities as such), any of the foregoing (together, the "Non-Recourse Parties") shall have any liabilities for any Claims or Liabilities arising under, out of, in connection with, or related in any manner to, this Agreement, the Transactions or the Debt Financing or based on, in respect of, or by reason of, this Agreement or its negotiation, execution, performance or breach, whether at law, in equity, in contract, in tort or otherwise.

Section 13.13 Schedules; Materiality. The inclusion of any matter in any Schedule shall be deemed to be an inclusion for all purposes of this Agreement, to the extent that the relevance of such disclosure to any Section is readily apparent from the text of such disclosure, but inclusion therein shall not be deemed to constitute an admission, or otherwise imply, that any such matter is material or creates a measure for materiality for purposes of this Agreement. The disclosure of any particular fact or item in any Schedule shall not be deemed an admission as to whether the fact or item is "material" or would constitute a "Material Adverse Effect."

Section 13.14 Specific Performance. The Parties acknowledge and agree that (a) irreparable injury, for which monetary damages, even if available, would not be an adequate remedy, will occur in the event that any of the provisions of this Agreement are not performed in accordance with the specific terms hereof or are otherwise breached, and (b) the non-breaching Party or Parties shall therefore be entitled, in addition to any other remedies that may be available, to obtain (without the posting of any bond) specific performance of the terms of this Agreement by the breaching Party or Parties. If any Proceeding is brought by the non-breaching Party or Parties to enforce this Agreement, the Party in breach shall waive the defense that there is an adequate remedy at Law.

[Signature pages follow]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be executed and delivered by their duly authorized representatives, all as of the Effective Date.

[BUYER] TRANSFORM HOLDCO LLC

By:	
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Wind Down Recoveries

January 14th 2019



SEARS HOLDINGS

Wind Down Executive Summary

- With assistance from its professionals, the Company has prepared wind-down recoveries showing a twelve-month orderly liquidation commencing 1/14/19
 - The preliminary wind-down budget assumes that all assets are orderly liquidated in-place, including general merchandise inventory and real
 estate. Self-supporting business units are assumed to be sold as going concerns pursuant to section 363 of the bankruptcy code
 - The analysis is on a consolidated basis for the Company
 - At 1/14/19, we assume the Company will:
 - Commence liquidation of all remaining inventory in the stores and distribution centers (with final GOB sales beginning on 1/21/19)
 - Reject all remaining store and DC leases, other than valuable leases, which will be monetized
 - Reject all remaining non-essential contracts
 - Reduce management and staff to the minimum necessary to liquidate the collateral and perform transition services
 - Sell or monetize all remaining encumbered and unencumbered assets on a non-going concern basis
 - Substantial funding for the wind-down is provided by:
 - The gross proceeds from GOB sales of merchandise inventory. As this inventory is sold, expenses related to the inventory liquidation are deducted from proceeds, resulting in an assumed net orderly liquidation inventory value to the estate of ~90%
 - The first \$240mm of previously unencumbered asset sale proceeds realized (which are segregated into a separate account), after which previously unencumbered asset sale proceeds are used to repay the \$350mm Junior DIP in full; after the Junior DIP has been repaid in full, additional asset proceeds are used to pay administrative expenses and unsecured creditors
 - The imposition of a 4% charge on encumbered assets sold throughout the case pursuant to 506(c) of the Bankruptcy code, with the exception of the first lien and prepetition ABL collateral (including non-insider portions of the FILO and Citi L/C), and Junior DIP collateral, due to the 506(c) waivers granted to these lenders solely in their capacity as DIP lenders
 - Excess proceeds (proceeds above lien value) from sales of encumbered collateral
- Prior to 1/14/19, the Company is assumed to operate in the ordinary course while transitioning from a 505 to 425 store footprint

Key Assumptions in Wind Down Recoveries

Operating Receipts

- Cash receipts are assumed to be generated through the following channels during the wind-down period:
 - Sales of merchandise in the normal course in the weeks leading up to the GOBs
 - Continued service revenues (direct-to-consumer repair services, B2B repair, warranty commissions)
 - Continued non-operating receipts (pass-through and non-pass-through) such as Citi credit card accrued interest sharing, insurance proceeds, dividends from foreign subsidiaries and litigation recoveries
 - Asset sales including both encumbered and unencumbered collateral
- Same-store sales
 - Analysis assumes negative 15% same-store sales for all stores until the final GOB sales begins on 1/21/19
 - Stores are assumed to maintain a 29% gross margin throughout the projection period, excluding GOBs, which are assumed to run at a net negative margin resulting in an ~90% Net Orderly Liquidation Value
 - All sales shown net of taxes, including sales taxes, pass-through, and royalties
- The wind-down recoveries assumes 4 waves of GOBs
 - Wave 1: 142 Stores beginning 10/28/18 ending 1/6/19
 - Wave 2: 40 Stores beginning 11/18/18 ending 1/26/19
 - Wave 3: 80 Stores starting on 1/3/2019
 - Wave 4: 425 Stores starting on 1/21/2019
- Other Inflows
 - Minimal PA sales during GOB (\$200k per week)
 - Negative 15% YoY declines in Other Revenues, including Service Revenues

Operating Disbursements

- COGS Disbursements
 - Merchandise vendors assumed to be primarily on cash-in-advance terms with 4-day average shipping time in the period leading up to the wind-down with some merch AP and non-merch AP based post-filing actuals;
 - Outstanding merchandise AP is paid down out during the case
 - Following the transition to the wind-down mode, no additional merchandise disbursements are made (last week of disbursements assumed to be the week ending 1/6/19) and merchant teams are immediately rationalized other than a small number of key employees to oversee vendor relations as the remaining on order inventory is shipped to the stores

Key Assumptions in Wind Down Recoveries (cont'd)

Operating Disbursements (Continued)

- SG&A Disbursements
 - Assumes all dark store leases are rejected immediately (Company rejected 234 leases on 10/16/18) and GOB leases are rejected at the end of the GOB sales period; as the last set of GOBs is projected to run from the week ending 1/26/19 to the week ending 4/13/19, lease payments would be made for March and rejected in April
 - Immediate RIF of non-core; non-key personnel beginning 1/15/19 60 days of WARN following RIF announcement
 - Uses the Company's detailed Payroll, Benefits, Non-Merch and Tax projection to project cost
 - Assumes logistics costs are right-sized to reflect lower score count
 - GOB store payroll and other expenses are removed at the end of the GOB sales
 - GOBs expected to last 11 weeks in line with historical actuals
 - Capex assumes historical levels of maintenance with reductions in line with store closures

Other Disbursements

- Assumes \$10mm of utility deposits paid, and are subsequently forfeit during the wind-down
- Assumes no additional spend on critical vendor payments during the post-petition period
- Accrued professional fees estimated based on current carve out reserve amount
 - After case begins to wind down, professional fees drop to an eventual monthly run rate of ~\$5mm
 - Professional fees (full projected pipeline to 1/15/19 + general carve-out + success fees) accrued in the carveout reserve until the wind-down begins; fees then paid for by the liquidation of the first lien collateral after the ABL, non-insider FILO and non-insider Citi L/C have been fully amortized
- Assumes total severance of \$41mm through December 2019 (exclusive of WARN notice costs)

Junior DIP

- Starting balance of \$175mm Junior DIP, which is pro forma to reflect \$75mm balance as of 1/5/19 plus \$100mm draw on 1/10/19
 - Junior DIP facility assumed to have a lien junior only to the First Lien DIP facility on prepetition unencumbered collateral other than specified collateral; on specified collateral, the Junior DIP liens are pari passu with the First Lien DIP facility after the first \$240mm of proceeds have gone to fund the earlier of a) the wind-down reserve or b) the wind-down of business operations
 - Interest Expense of L+1,000

Key Assumptions in Wind Down Recoveries (cont'd)

Unencumbered Asset Values

- Credit Card Tort Claim: Assumes \$35mm
- Unencumbered Receivables: Assumes \$63mm, estimated using 25% recovery on \$251mm book value
- Sears Auto Centers (SAC): Assumed to be immediately liquidated simultaneously with the stores, with proceeds reflected in GOB recoveries no going concern value
- Includes actual sale of SRAC MTNs for net proceeds of approximately \$81mm, which is included in the wind-down reserve
- Monark: No value assumed
- Net Operating Losses: No value assumed
- Initial estimates of the following assets used per consultation with Lazard
 - Sears Home Improvement: \$45mm
 - Sears Parts Direct: \$60mm
 - Sears Service Contracts: \$80mm
 - TSA modeled in place for all going concern assets such that any and all costs incurred by wind-down entity are assumed to be passed through directly to the purchaser

Unencumbered Real Estate Values

- Recoveries assumes \$561mm net of transaction costs
- Values for unencumbered real estate updated to incorporate JLL appraisals received on 1/11/19
- Excludes values for indications of interest on unencumbered real estate received to date, which totals in excess of \$350mm

Encumbered Asset Values

- Sparrow real estate excludes from analysis
- Dove real estate assumed to be sold at 70% of dark value and incur a 6% broker fee
- IPGL GL real estate assumed to be sold at 70% of dark value and incur a 6% broker fee
- IPGL IP collateral assumed to be sold for \$50mm, which represents ~15% of the low-end estimate of distressed fair market value of \$345mm as stated in the Ocean Tomo appraisal document dated 1/12/18

Kenmore and Diehard

- Excluded from the analysis
- Excludes asserted KCD Royalty administrative claim of \$112mm
- Excludes any recoveries for avoidance actions and any potentially asserted claims against ESL
- Excludes any potential going concern value under one or more plans of reorganization including potential reorganization plans involving Sears Home Services, Innovel, and other business units, as well as attendant tax attributes distributed to creditors

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Certain assumptions in this document may be subject to material change, including:

- Go-forward financial performance of the store base
- Go-forward financial performance of the non-store businesses
- Feasibility and timing of SG&A reductions

Assets

- Certain island stores and the Guam stores may be sold as going concern stores which would change recoveries on those assets
- Carry costs and timing of real estate liquidations
 - The analysis does not include real estate related expenses past the end of GOB periods for potential additional time and carrying costs that may be required to sell real estate assets
- This document excludes all avoidance action recoveries and any recoveries for litigation related to prepetition transactions
- Assumes no proceeds from collateral charges are paid to the estate from the Sparrow collateral

Claims

- 503(b)(9) and GUC claims as of the petition date are estimated by SHC; subject to change based on further inventory receipt reconciliation
- The initial estimate of the size of the general unsecured claim pool may change materially
- WARN, severance, and PTOs costs associated with RIFs occurring past 11/15/18 are based on average salary and benefits of employees, and will change as employees subject to future RIFs are finalized

PBGC Claim

- This analysis does not reflect any view or estimate regarding a) the size of the PBGC claim, b) the priority of the PBGC claim, or c) any
 proceeds associated with the liquidation or transfer of securities held by the PBGC
 - The PBGC is likely to have a significant unsecured claim, which is excluded from this analysis
 - . The Company is still performing diligence on the plan termination claim

Creditor Recovery Matrix

Wind-down / Orderly Liquidation (Debt and Other Starting Balances As of 1/5/2019)

Creditor Recovery Matrix

(\$ in millions)			Remaining Assets								
Creditors	Gross Claim ¹ as of 1/5/19	1st Lien Collateral	Jr. DIP Collateral (Previously Unencumbered)	Sparrow R.E	Dove R.E.	IP/GL Collateral	Wind-down Reserve	Carve-Out	\$ Recovery	% Recovery	
Admin and Other Priority Claims	\$1,405	(\$551)	(\$500)	-	(\$19)	(\$7)	(\$240)	(\$89)	\$1,405	100%	
DIP ABL (2)	894	(894)	-	-	_	_	-	_	894	100%	
Junior DIP (3)	175	-	(175)	_	_	-	4	4	175	100%	
FILO (1.5)	125	(125)	_	-	-	-	-	-	125	100%	
Citi LC Facility (1.75)	271	(271)	-	-	-	-	-	-	271	100%	
Adequate Protection - 507(b)(4a)	331	(136) ^(4b)	4	_	_		-	<u>-</u>	136	41%	
2nd Lien Line of Credit Loans	570	_		-	_	_	-	-	=	-	
ESL 2nd Lien Term Loan (PIK)	320	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_	
2nd Lien Notes (PIK)	175	-	_	-	_	-	-	-	-	-	
2nd Lien Notes (2.5; Cash)	89	_	-	-	-	_	=	-		-	
Dove Loans	831	_	-	-	(429)	-	-	-	429	52%	
Sparrow Loans (5)	NA	-	_	_	_	-	-	-	NA	NA	
GL / IP Loan	231	-	_	-	-	(159)	_	-	159	69%	
Total Secured Debt / Claims	\$5,417	(\$1,976)	(\$675)	-	(\$448)	(\$166)	(\$240)	(\$89)	\$3,594	66%	
Unsecured and Deficiency Claims (6)	5,864	_	-	-	_	-	-	-	-	-	
Total Unsecured Debt / Claims	\$5,864	-	-	-	-	(4)	-	-		-	

Notes:

- (1) Gross claim does not mean such claim is allow ed, unless allow ed pursuant to a bakruptcy court order or otherwise
- (2) Pro forma balance as of 1/5/19. Company has requested \$100mm Jr. DIP draw for week ending 1/12/19 which would reduce the pro forma ABL balance to \$894mm.
- (3) Pro forma balance as of 1/5/19. Company has requested \$100mm Jr. DIP draw for week ending 1/12/19 which will increase the Jr. DIP balance to \$175mm.
- (4a) Includes \$331mm of claims under section 507(b) of the Bankruptcy Code for diminution in the value of second-lien collateral are shown based on advice from Weil. The ultimate value of these claims could vary materially given a number of factors including the use going concern or liquidation values, inclusion or exclusion of certain administrative costs such as professional fees that benefit from the Carve-Out and charges and the ultimate validity of the second-lien liens and claims. In addition, the validity and amount of such diminution claims is expected to be a disputed among the parties, including the debtors.
- (4b) Recovery takes into account disputed nature of claim
- (5) Sparrow entities are non-debtors and excluded from analysis.
- (6) Draft estimate of gross liability per Deloitte of \$3.4bn, plus ~\$1bn of PA Liability, plus deficiency claims of ~\$1.8bn.



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VIA E-MAIL

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Re: In re Sears Holdings Corporation, et al.

To the Board of Directors of Sears Holdings Corporation (the "Board"):

As you are aware, Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP is counsel to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the "<u>Creditors' Committee</u>") of Sears Holdings Corporation ("<u>SHC</u>") and its affiliated debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "<u>Debtors</u>" and, together with their non-Debtor affiliates, the "<u>Company</u>" or "<u>Sears</u>"), whose chapter 11 cases (the "<u>Chapter 11 Cases</u>") are pending before the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the "<u>Court</u>").

On December 13, 2018, we wrote to express the Creditors' Committee's concerns with respect to the indicative bid submitted on December 5, 2018 by ESL Investments, Inc. (together with its affiliates and principals, including Edward S. Lampert, "ESL" and such bid, the "Indicative Bid"). By our December 13 letter (the "December 13 Letter"), we explained the Creditors' Committee's view that the Indicative Bid was fundamentally flawed and non-actionable, both legally and financially because, among other things, such bid: (i) contemplated an inappropriate credit bid; (ii) if effectuated, would have left the Debtors' estates administratively insolvent; (iii) failed to provide any cognizable value for unsecured creditors; (iv) purported to assign value to the Debtors for the assumption of claims against non-Debtors; (v) contemplated the purchase of "substantially all" of the assets of the Debtors and certain non-Debtor affiliates (which the Debtors have no ability to sell), but failed to provide any allocation of the purchase price among such assets, as required by the Debtors' process letter filed in connection with the Global Bidding Procedures; (vi) failed to offer sufficient consideration for the assets contemplated to be purchased, including assets held by non-Debtors and valuable tax attributes that ESL would acquire as part of its bid, or to repay

¹ Capitalized terms used and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the December 13 Letter or the ESL APA (as defined below), as applicable.



the Debtors' postpetition financing in full; and (vii) failed to provide a viable business plan for a profitable go-forward Sears in light of the staggering selling, general, and administrative costs ("SG&A") associated with continued operations. Accordingly, we urged the Debtors to pivot to a GOB process rather than continue to play out a meritless option funded by unsecured creditors or, at a minimum, position the estates to pivot immediately to such a process when it became clear that there was no viable going concern bid.

In the weeks since the Creditors' Committee voiced its concerns to the Board, ESL appears to have tried—but failed—to cure the myriad deficiencies inherent in its offer. Indeed, the definitive bid submitted by ESL on December 28, 2018 (the "December 28 Bid") and the revised bid submitted on January 9, 2019 (the "January 9 Bid") continue to be nonactionable, by among other things, leaving the Debtors' estates administratively insolvent. providing no recovery for unsecured creditors, hinging on a fundamentally inappropriate credit bid and release and requiring the implementation of myriad transactions, certain of which are completely outside the Debtors' control, and conditions precedent in an unrealistic time frame. During a Chambers conference on January 8, 2019, ESL assured the Court that any subsequent proposal would only improve upon the December 28 Bid. Moreover, upon information and belief, the Debtors' advisors raised many of their concerns regarding deficiencies in ESL's various proposals with ESL and its advisors. In submitting the January 9 Bid, however, ESL ignored the Debtors' concerns and disregarded its promise to the Court. Indeed, the January 9 Bid and supporting documentation represent an offer that is materially worse than ESL's prior bids. ESL has also steadfastly refused to agree to backstop its credit bid with cash or a letter of credit, as suggested by the Court. Accordingly, the Creditors' Committee writes again to reiterate its grave concerns with respect to the trajectory of the Chapter 11 Cases and the future of Sears under any ESL-driven outcome.

The Board is keenly aware of the Creditors' Committee's concerns with respect to the credit bid and releases contemplated by any ESL sale transaction. Indeed, as the Creditors' Committee has made clear, its ongoing investigation certainly will result in the pursuit of claims and causes of action against ESL and Lampert to, among other things, recover amounts paid in respect of wrongful conduct and equitably subordinate and/or recharacterize claims held by ESL. As such, any credit bid by ESL is inappropriate and cannot satisfy the heightened legal standard applicable to such a construct. Similarly, as discussed in further detail below, the radically broad releases contemplated by the January 9 Bid (in exchange for minimal, if any, consideration, none of which will flow to unsecured creditors) are offensive. For the avoidance of doubt, in the event the Board authorizes the Debtors to accept the January 9 Bid—or any other ESL bid that contemplates a credit bid and broad releases—the Creditors' Committee intends to move forward immediately with respect to claims and causes of action against ESL and related parties.

The Creditors' Committee's analysis, supported by information provided by the Debtors, demonstrates that the January 9 Bid leaves the Debtors' estates administratively



insolvent.² Compounding this administrative insolvency is the staggering daily cash burn attendant to the Debtors' pursuit of an ESL going concern transaction. Indeed, the Debtors reported to the Court immediately prior to the January 8, 2019 status conference that the cost of continuing to chase an ESL option is in excess of \$6 million a day. At the Debtors' stated \$6 million daily rate, just getting to sale hearing, currently scheduled to commence on January 31, 2019 (the "Sale Hearing"), would cost \$120 million. Under the terms of the Asset Purchase Agreement by and among Transform Holdco LLC, as Buyer, and Sears Holdings Corporation and its subsidiaries party thereto, as Sellers, on January 9, 2019 (the "ESL APA"), the Debtors would need to pay an additional \$30 million "Expense" Reimbursement" to ESL (including for litigation costs) bringing the total to no less than \$150 million. In addition to these costs, if the Debtors were to move forward to the Sale Hearing with an ESL bid, the Debtors' estates would be responsible for significant additional litigation costs, for multiple parties, in an amount the Creditors' Committee estimates to be no less than \$10 million (and likely significantly more) for what inevitably will be a highly contested and lengthy trial, including the submission of discovery requests, over a dozen depositions and preparation of expert reports by numerous parties in interest. For each day the Sale Hearing continues after January 31, the Debtors would waste at least an additional \$6 million unrelated to the contested Sale Hearing itself, likely bringing the total delta between commencing a GOB process today and pursing a doomed ESL bid to close to \$200 million.

Further to the inappropriate credit bid and release provisions of the January 9 Bid and the undisputed fact that such bid leaves the Debtors' estates administratively insolvent, ESL's proposal, as detailed in the ESL APA, contains countless infirmities, rendering such offer, at best, a one-option for ESL and, at worst, entirely illusory. A non-exhaustive list of these infirmities is set forth below.

- The assumption of the severance reimbursement obligations, 503(b)(9) Claims and all payment obligations with respect to inventory is contingent in nature and illusory.
 - o The ESL APA purports to assume liabilities related to severance payments, claims under Bankruptcy Code section 503(b)(9) (the "503(b)(9) Claims") and other payment obligations of the Debtors in an aggregate amount of up to \$348,000,000. Payment of such liabilities by ESL (as Buyer), however, is not required until the *later* of (a) the date that is 270 days following the closing of the ESL transaction (the "Closing Date") and (b) the date on which a chapter 11 plan of reorganization is

² See Discussion Materials, Project Blue (January 6, 2019), at 1.

³ The ESL APA defines "Sellers" as SHC and each of its subsidiaries party to the ESL APA, but declines to specify which of SHC's subsidiaries are contemplated to be party to the agreement.



> confirmed by the Court. 4 Generally, an acquirer of a debtor's assets that is assuming outstanding liabilities that are due and payable must pay such obligations contemporaneously with the closing of such transaction. Here, however, ESL proposes an extraordinary delay in the payment of such amounts and, if no chapter 11 plan is confirmed (which, under the ESL bid, is almost guaranteed), ESL will have received delivery of substantially all the Sellers' assets without paying a single cent to employees, vendors or other creditors on account of the Debtors' severance, 503(b)(9) Claims or other administrative expense claims. With at least a 270 day delay in paying these amounts, absent dramatic SG&A cuts-which ESL and Lampert have been unable to effectuate in the last decade—any goforward Sears will have no free cash flow and a very short lifespan. Accordingly, under any ESL sale scenario, there is no assurance ESL will be able to satisfy these obligations. Moreover, as the January 9 Bid contemplates the Debtors' administrative insolvency, a chapter 11 plan is unlikely to be confirmed in the Chapter 11 Cases and, as such, ESL would be relieved of its obligation to assume such liabilities in their entirety. Essentially, ESL's bid all but guarantees that these "assumed liabilities." which the Debtors acknowledge would be paid in full in connection with a wind-down, will remain liabilities of the Debtors and never be paid or will be paid a fraction of such amounts in connection with the Debtors' inevitable conversion to chapter 7 in the event an ESL bid is accepted. The Board should not force creditors to assume ESL's massive credit risk in respect of liabilities that will never be paid.

- Further, ESL's obligation to assume and pay such liabilities is subject to aggregate caps and offsets to the extent there are "shortfalls" in certain receivables, warranty receivables and ordered inventory. If such "shortfalls" exist, ESL may cherry pick which of these "assumed liabilities" it would like to pay and leave the rest behind in administratively insolvent estates.
- The ESL APA contains a number of closing conditions (many of which are
 outside of the Debtors' control) that render the ESL APA a one-way option
 and afford ESL an unconditional walk right.
 - The ESL APA contains numerous off-market closing conditions, which permit ESL to terminate the agreement without recourse and receive a \$30

⁴ ESL APA § 2.3(k).



> million expense reimbursement payment from the Debtors. 5 Many of these conditions are outside of the Debtors' control. For example, the ESL APA requires, among other things: (i) the delivery of assets that are not owned by Debtor entities (such as the KCD Notes); (ii) the consent of non-Debtor entities (such as Seritage and KCD IP LLC);⁶ (iii) the consummation of the financing transactions, which not only are outside of the Debtors' control, but also are wholly within ESL's discretion; (iv) the existing indebtedness under the DIP Credit Agreement not to exceed \$850 million; (v) minimum thresholds for the value of the inventory and the balances of the credit card and pharmacy receivables being acquired by ESL; and (vi) entry of an order by the Court approving the contemplated sale by January 31 and that such order has become a Final Order (following the running of the 14-day appeal period), which condition is impossible to meet in light of the truncated timeline required by the ESL APA to close the transaction by February 18, 2019 (the "Outside Date"), as discussed in further detail below.7

- o For example, the ESL APA requires the Debtors to: (i) cause KCD IP LLC to grant to ESL an exclusive license related to Kenmore/Diehard; (ii) obtain the consent of KCD IP LLC to assign the KCD license agreements to ESL; or (iii) grant to ESL a perpetual, irrevocable sublicense for the KCD IP (Kenmore/Diehard). The ESL APA also requires the Debtors to transfer the KCD Notes to ESL. It is unclear to the Creditors' Committee how the Debtors can cause the applicable non-Debtor entities to take the actions required to satisfy these conditions, yet ESL is not required to close the transaction unless such actions are taken.
- Many, if not all, of the conditions precedent outlined above cannot be satisfied in the time frame contemplated by the January 9 Bid, if ever. And even if ESL were to provide the Debtors more time, the purported financing for ESL's bid expires on February 18, 2019 and the satisfying many, if not any, of the conditions precedent required to consummate such transaction is unlikely, if not impossible.⁸

⁵ ESL APA, Art. X.

⁶ See ESL APA §§ 9.14, 10.9.

⁷ ESL APA §§ 12.1(b)(iii), 12.1(a)(ii).

⁸ ESL APA § 10.12.



- The ESL APA contains a broad release, including a release by non-Debtor entities, for the nominal consideration of \$35 million and the illusory assumption of liabilities.
 - The ESL APA includes an improper release of any and all claims SHC (as well as its former, current and future Subsidiaries, including non-Debtor entities) has or will have in the future against each Buyer Related Party (defined as (i) Buyer, (ii) ESL, (iii) the Cyrus Related Parties and (iv) any Person who is currently or formerly was a director, officers, employee, stockholder, member, limited partner, general partner, controlling person, manager, representative, attorney, agent or successors of Buyer, ESL or any of the Cyrus Related Parties) in exchange for woefully inadequate consideration comprising \$35 million in cash and the purported assumption of liabilities. 10 As the Creditors' Committee has repeated countless times, there exist extremely valuable causes of action against ESL and related entities that are worth hundreds of millions of dollars to the Debtors' estates, and the Creditors' Committee is prepared to commence such litigation immediately. \$35 million in cash for such claims is woefully inadequate consideration that effectively is recaptured by ESL through its unprecedented, unsupported \$30 million expense reimbursement, which actually is prohibited under the Global Bidding Procedures (as discussed below). Moreover, the purported value provided through the assumption of liabilities cannot be considered as part of the equation. As noted above, the "assumption" of such liabilities is illusory as the Debtors are unlikely to ever confirm a chapter 11 plan if the ESL bid were to be accepted. Moreover, no value should be ascribed to the assumption of such liabilities as the Debtors' own analysis shows such liabilities being paid in full without providing any releases to ESL, Cyrus or their respective related parties to the extent the Debtors were to pivot to a GOB process.
 - o The Debtors also cannot satisfy the release provisions which, among other things, require releases from non-Debtors. For example, the release contained in the ESL APA includes entities such as Sears Canada, Inc. ("Sears Canada"), as a "former subsidiary" of SHC, which entity no longer has any relationship to Sears and is subject to CCAA proceedings in

⁹ The ESL APA defines "Buyer" as Transform Holdco LLC and any affiliates.

¹⁰ ESL APA § 9.13.



Toronto.¹¹ The Debtors cannot force—and the Court has no jurisdiction to approve—a non-consensual release by non-Debtors. Moreover, any release of the Cyrus Related Parties for no consideration is inappropriate in light of the ongoing investigation into their conduct in connection with, among other things, the Debtors' sale of the MTN Notes.

- The Outside Date and other sale milestone dates do not provide sufficient time for the sale transaction to be approved by the Court and to close.
 - o The ESL APA allows ESL to terminate the agreement if the Court has not approved the underlying transaction on or before January 31, 2019 or if the Closing has not occurred by the Outside Date. 12 As noted above, any sale hearing to approve an ESL transaction will be highly contested and lengthy, and there is no chance a sale order will be entered on or before January 31, 2019. Accordingly, these conditions cannot be satisfied.
- Payment of the proposed \$30 million expense reimbursement to ESL is prohibited by the Global Bidding Procedures Order.
 - o The ESL APA requires payment of ESL's expenses (including legal fees arising from any investigation, prosecution of any claims or other litigation or threatened litigation against ESL or any related party up to \$30 million). The order approving the Global Bidding Procedures (the "Global Bidding Procedures Order") expressly provides that "[a]bsent".

While Sears Canada Inc. and its affiliated debtor companies in the CCAA Proceedings are not affiliates of Sears Holdings Corporation and are not debtors in the SHC Chapter 11 Proceedings, the exact scope of the releases that may be sought by ESL Investments and ESL-related parties in the SHC Chapter 11 Proceedings is not clear at this stage. The Monitor would be concerned about any release sought in the SHC Chapter 11 Proceedings that purports to affect the litigation authorized by this Court or the plaintiffs' ability to enforce any judgment against the defendants in that litigation. Accordingly the Monitor proposes to take steps to ensure that there is no ambiguity in this regard and that orders granted in the SHC Chapter 11 Proceedings do not have unintended negative impact on the litigation approved by this Court.

Second Supp. to Twenty-Seventh Report of FTI Consulting Canada Inc., as Monitor, Sears Canada Inc., Court File No. CV-17-11846-00CL (Jan. 8, 2019) (emphasis added).

¹¹ Indeed, the Monitor in the Sears Canada CCAA proceedings expressed concern with respect to such an inappropriate release under an ESL sale earlier this week. Specifically, the Monitor explained as follows:

¹² ESL APA §§ 12.1(b)(iii), 12.1(a)(ii).

¹³ ESL APA § 2.3(k). Payment of such expense reimbursement would occur: (i) at Closing (as a deduct against the purchase price); (ii) within three business days of termination of the ESL APA by the Sellers or because the Outside Date has occurred; and (iii) within five business days after consummation of a Competing Transaction, which is defined broadly to include the sale of any material part of any Business. *Id.*



further order of the Court, no person or entity, other than any applicable Stalking Horse Bidder, shall be entitled to any expense reimbursement or break-up, 'topping,' termination, or other similar fee or payment by the Debtors for submitting a bid for the Assets, or in any way participating in the Auction or the Debtors' sale process." Accordingly the reimbursement of \$30 million of ESL's expenses contemplated by the ESL APA, which astonishingly contemplates reimbursement for expenses associated with litigation against ESL in relation to its prepetition inappropriate conduct and is payable even where ESL is the successful bidder, is in direct contravention of the Global Bidding Procedures Order. Indeed, the expense reimbursement is not a "reimbursement" at all. Instead, it is an automatic \$30 million purchase price reduction that deepens the Debtors' administrative insolvency.

- The assumption of liabilities for warrant and protection agreements and other services contracts requires the holder of any such warranty, protection agreement or services contract to submit a duly completed affirmance within 270 days following the Closing Date.
 - Requiring individual holders to submit a "duly completed affirmance" renders the assumption of these liabilities virtually worthless, as the likelihood of any individual holder of such warranty, protection or services contract understanding this requirement and submitting such affirmation is extremely low.¹⁵
- Notwithstanding ESL's assertion that the January 9 Bid contemplates continued employment of "up to 50,000 Sears employees," there is, in fact, no contractual obligation anywhere in the ESL APA that requires ESL to offer employment to any existing employee.
 - The ESL APA contemplates offering continued employment to "Business Employees." However, Business Employees is defined by reference to an incomplete schedule that must be acceptable to ESL, in its sole discretion, following execution of the ESL APA. In effect, this definition would permit ESL to exclude any or all employees from the applicable schedule. To date, under the stewardship of ESL and Edward S. Lampert, Sears has terminated approximately 250,000 jobs. There is nothing in the January 9 Bid that provides any assurance that that number will not grow to 300,000 or more. Moreover, without a viable business plan, even if the January 9

¹⁴ Global Bidding Procedures Order ¶ 10.

¹⁵ ESL APA § 2.3(e).



Bid were consummated, it is unlikely that any such employment would continue for long.

- ESL cannot show adequate assurance of future performance under assumed leases and contracts.
 - O As the Debtors are aware from numerous communications with contract counterparties and landlords, such parties have significant concerns regarding ESL's ability to provide adequate assurance of future performance under contracts and leases that ESL proposes to have assumed and assigned in connection with its bid. These concerns are legitimate. Indeed, as noted above, absent virtually impossible SG&A cuts, there is no viable future for a go-forward Sears enterprise. Accordingly, under any ESL sale scenario, the Debtors, according to their own analysis, will be unable to provide adequate assurance of further performance to parties to assumed contracts and leases.
- The January 9 Bid contemplates the sale of assets that the Debtors no longer own.
 - The January 9 Bid contemplates the sale of assets the Debtors have already sold. For example, Annexes 6 and 7 to the January 9 Bid list assets to be purchased, including 13 assets that are subject to the recently-approved sale of certain real estate assets to Amerco Real Estate Company.¹⁶
- The ability of the Debtors' estates to pursue avoidance actions under the ESL APA is severely restricted, rendering such actions virtually worthless.
 - o The ESL APA purports to leave behind for the Debtors' estates certain avoidance actions, but separately includes a broad, post-closing covenant prohibiting any Seller from taking any action that would "hinder relationships between Buyer and any trade counterparty of any Seller who is party to any Assigned Agreement or otherwise maintains

¹⁶ See Motion of Debtors for Entry of an Order (I) Approving the Sale of Certain Real Property, (II) Authorizing the Assumption and Assignment of Certain Unexpired Leases in Connection Therewith, and (III) Granting Related Relief [ECF No. 938], Exhibit B (Purchase Agreement); Order (I) Approving the Sale of Certain Real Property, (II) Authorizing the Assumption and Assignment of Certain Unexpired Leases in Connection Therewith, and (III) Granting Related Relief [ECF No. 1393].



ongoing trade relationships with Buyer following Closing." ¹⁷ Consequently, following the Closing, no Debtor entity could pursue *any* avoidance action against any vendor or customer, nor could the Debtors transfer such actions to a litigation trust or authorize the Creditors' Committee to pursue such actions.

In view of the concerns articulated herein (which is a non-exhaustive list of the Creditors' Committee's concerns with respect to the January 9 Bid and the terms of the ESL APA), the Creditors' Committee strongly urges the Board to see the January 9 Bid for what it is; yet another desperate and insincere attempt to force the Debtors to accept an offer that will cause Sears to crumble under its own weight, while depriving the Debtors' unsecured creditors and all of the Debtors' true third-party creditors of value to which they are entitled and would receive through (i) properly conducted GOB sales, (ii) the monetization of valuable real estate by way of a market-based sale process and (iii) the pursuit of viable causes of action. While the Creditor's Committee appreciates the pressures to which the Debtors and the Board are subject in trying to achieve a "going concern" sale, ESL's proposal is nothing of the sort. Instead, it provides woefully insufficient consideration to the Debtors' estates and an illusory one-way option for ESL to acquire the Debtors' assets while leaving the Debtors' estates administratively insolvent and without satisfying outstanding obligations. In essence, the ESL proposal, which, upon information and belief, lacks an actionable business plan, would allow ESL to acquire the Debtors' assets and monetize them on ESL's own timeline, thus allowing ESL and Lampert to reap the GOB value that rightfully belongs to the Debtors' estates and their creditors. The only viable path for the Debtors to remain administratively solvent and ensure creditors receive the recoveries to which they are legally entitled is to pursue a GOB process to monetize the Debtors' remaining assets, including valuable unencumbered assets such as Sears Home Services (the value of which is deteriorating with each passing day), and ensure viable and valuable claims and causes of action against ESL, Edward S. Lampert and related parties are preserved and prosecuted.

For the avoidance of doubt, the Creditors' Committee reserves all of its rights, remedies, claims and defenses.

Please ensure that a copy of this letter is sent promptly to each member of the Board. The Creditors' Committee looks forward to hearing from the Debtors and their advisors regarding next steps.

¹⁷ ESL APA § 2.8(c).



Very truly yours,

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VIA E-MAIL

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Re: In re Sears Holdings Corporation, et al.

To the Board of Directors of Sears Holdings Corporation (the "Board"):

As you are aware, Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP is counsel to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the "Creditors' Committee") of Sears Holdings Corporation ("SHC") and its affiliated debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors" and, together with their non-Debtor affiliates, "Sears"), whose chapter 11 cases (the "Chapter 11 Cases") are pending before the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the "Court").

On January 11, 2019, we wrote to reiterate the Creditor's Committee's enduring concerns with respect to an ESL going concern sale.¹ Specifically, we identified numerous fatal deficiencies in the ESL APA submitted in connection with the January 9 Bid. The non-exclusive list set forth in the January 11 Letter identified, among other infirmities: (i) a proposal that leaves the Debtors' estates administratively insolvent to the tune of nearly \$200 million by the Debtors' own "conservative" estimates² (and significantly more under Creditors' Committee's analysis), resulting in, among other things, a likely conversion of the Chapter 11 Cases to chapter 7; (ii) a credit bid that is not—and cannot be—substantiated, either legally or factually; (iii) woefully insufficient consideration in exchange for broad and improper releases; (iv) the contingent and illusory assumption of payment and reimbursement obligations with respect to severance, inventory and 503(b)(9) Claims, payment of which is not required until confirmation of a chapter 11 plan of reorganization that likely would never materialize under any ESL construct because of the Debtors' administrative insolvency; (v)

¹ Capitalized terms used and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Creditors' Committee's letter, dated January 11, 2019 (the "January 11 Letter"), or the Weil APA Mark-up (as defined below), as applicable.

² See Sears Holdings Discussion Materials: Wind-Down / ESL Bid, dated January 12, 2019.



numerous closing conditions that are non-actionable or entirely outside the Debtors' control and that render the ESL APA a one-way option; (vi) milestones that violate due process and literally are impossible to satisfy; (vii) a reimbursement of ESL's legal fees that violates the express terms of the Global Bidding Procedures Order; (viii) disingenuous promises to preserve jobs; (ix) an inability to satisfy adequate assurance obligations; (x) the sale of assets the Debtors no longer own; and (xi) severe limitations on the Debtors' ability to pursue valuable avoidance actions.

The events of the last 48 hours have only deepened the Creditors' Committee's concerns with respect to the all but preordained outcome of the January 14 auction. Indeed, following discussions among the Debtors' and Creditors' Committee's advisors on January 11 and throughout the weekend, counsel to the Creditors' Committee received the Debtors' proposed mark-up of the ESL APA (the "Weil APA Mark-up"), which, upon information and belief, was shared with ESL on January 12. While the Weil APA Mark-up addresses certain of the concerns identified in the January 11 Letter, many of the most significant issues remain outstanding. Moreover, we understand that there has been virtually no response from ESL to the Weil APA Mark-up. Even if ESL were to accept (without any modification) each of the Debtors' "asks," however, the ESL proposal would remain entirely non-actionable. Specifically, even after taking into account the Weil APA Mark-up, the contemplated transaction still would leave the Debtors' estates administratively insolvent (under any analysis) and result in substantial uncertainty regarding the ability to close the ESL sale on the proposed timeline, if ever. Accordingly, we write again to advise the Board of the Creditors' Committee's continuing concerns with the ESL bid. We also write to ensure that the Board is prepared to announce publicly a pivot to a GOB process on January 14 to, at last. staunch the Debtors' financial hemorrhaging in light of the clear fact that the ESL proposal is not fair, equitable or actionable.

Further to the January 11 Letter, below is a non-exhaustive list of infirmities that remain in the ESL APA, inclusive of the Weil APA Mark-up:

- The Weil APA Mark-up continues to allow ESL to acquire substantially all of the Debtors' assets without paying any 503(b)(9) Claims or certain other assumed liabilities at closing.
 - o The Weil APA Mark-up does not address a fundamental issue in the ESL APA regarding the payment by ESL (as Buyer) of 503(b)(9) Claims and other assumed liabilities, including severance, at closing. Instead, the Weil APA Mark-up continues to allow ESL to postpone such payment until the *later* of (i) the date that is [60] days following the closing of the ESL transaction (the "Closing Date") and (ii) the date on which a chapter 11 plan of reorganization



is confirmed by the Court.³ This is in direct contravention of established law. Indeed, a sale pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 363 must secure the best possible bid for creditors.⁴ ESL's promise to "assume" liabilities, while leaving substantial doubt as to whether such claims will ever be paid—thereby leaving creditors, who otherwise would receive payment in full in an orderly liquidation, without redress—calls into question ESL's status as a good faith purchaser.⁵ Moreover, to the extent any liabilities are assumed pursuant to an executory contract or unexpired lease, the Bankruptcy Code requires that cure payments be made at the time of assumption.⁶

- o In addition, ESL's obligation to assume and pay such liabilities continues to be subject to aggregate caps and substantial uncertainty as a result of "offset" provisions, which are designed to enable ESL to reduce the actual amounts it is required to pay in respect of these liabilities.
- o For these reasons, and the myriad reasons set forth in the January 11 Letter, the Board simply cannot approve any ESL sale transaction that does not pay all 503(b)(9) Claims and other assumed liabilities that are due and payable by the Debtors (or past due, such as 503(b)(9) Claims) as of the Closing Date. Indeed, given that ESL is purporting to purchase additional assets as an offset to these liabilities, it would be nonsensical to permit ESL to acquire such assets without the obligation to pay assumed liabilities at closing. The reason for this is clear: ESL does not have sufficient financing to satisfy the obligations that it would be required to pay on the Closing Date.
- o The Creditors' Committee requests precedent from the Debtors or their advisors for a similar construct, where a purchaser of a debtor's assets was not required to pay assumed liabilities due and owing as of the closing contemporaneously with the closing and otherwise as such liabilities come due in the ordinary course, but instead was permitted to wait until the later of an

³ Weil APA Mark-up § 2.3(k)(ii).

⁴ See In re Fin. News Network, Inc., 980 F.2d 165, 169 (2d Cir. 1992).

⁵ See, e.g., In re General Motors Corp., 407 B.R. 463 (Bankr S.D.N.Y. 2009) (noting that good faith is shown by the "integrity" of conduct in the course of sale proceedings and in an absence of "fraud, collusion . . . or an attempt to take grossly unfair advantage of other bidders") (emphasis added).

⁶ 11 U.S.C. § 365(b); Androse Assocs. of Allaire, LLC v. A&P (In re A&P), 472 B.R. 666, 675 (S.D.N.Y. 2012) (noting that Bankruptcy Code section 365 requires a showing by the debtors of "prompt cure of default and of future performance") (emphasis added); see also In re Metromedia Fiber Network, Inc., 335 B.R. 41, 50 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 2005) (stating that adequate assurance is "appropriate and necessary where the counter-party has reasonable grounds for insecurity with respect to the debtor's ability to fully perform its obligations under the contract.").



extended period of time post-closing and the confirmation of a chapter 11 plan in the subject debtor's chapter 11 case.

- The Weil APA Mark-up fails to address the substantial uncertainty inherent in the ESL APA as it relates to closing any ESL sale transaction.
 - As outlined in the January 11 Letter, the ESL APA contains numerous off-market closing conditions that render the ESL APA a one-way option and afford ESL an unconditional walk right. While the Weil APA Mark-up attempts to address a limited number of these conditions, the revisions fall short of eliminating significant closing uncertainty. Specifically, the agreement continues to include improper closing conditions related to: (i) the delivery of assets that are not owned by Debtor entities (including the KCD Notes); (ii) the consent of non-Debtor entities (such as KCD IP LLC and Sears Re); (iii) the existing indebtedness under the DIP Credit Agreement, which shall not exceed \$850 million; (iv) minimum thresholds for the value of the inventory and the balances of the credit card and pharmacy receivables being acquired by ESL; and (v) entry of an order by the Court approving the contemplated sale by February 4, which order shall not have been stayed, vacated or modified.
 - o The Weil APA Mark-up introduces additional risk that the ESL sale transaction will never close. *First*, it requires the Court to enter an order authorizing Buyer to treat Sellers' personally-identifiable customer data in accordance with Exhibit F to the ESL APA (which has not been disclosed to the Creditors' Committee). This is entirely out of the Debtors' control. *Second*, the Weil APA Mark-up grants ESL a discretionary walk right if the form of sale order attached to the ESL APA is modified in any manner. 8
- The Outside Date and other sale milestones remain woefully inadequate to
 ensure sufficient time for the sale transaction to be approved by the Court and
 close.
 - o The Weil APA Mark-up pushes the Outside Date back by only one day and presumably only because the Debtors realized a sale transaction could not close on President's Day, a bank holiday. The milestone for the Court to approve the ESL sale transaction is pushed back by only two business days. There is virtually no scenario in which an ESL sale transaction can be approved by the Court on or before February 4 and close by February 19.

Weil APA Mark-up § 10.9.

⁸ Weil APA Mark-up § 10.7.



Indeed, the Creditors' Committee expects that the sale hearing will comprise at least five days of trial as the Court is forced to wrestle with numerous factual and legal issues regarding the propriety of the proposed sale, including, among other things: (i) ESL's right to credit bid; (ii) the overly broad and improper releases for ESL, Lampert and the Cyrus Related Parties in connection with the proposed transaction; (iii) the viability of Sears's businesses under ESL's business plan, which the Creditors' Committee has yet to receive; and (iv) ESL's ability to satisfy adequate assurance of future performance obligations under assumed contracts and leases. As such, these closing conditions cannot be satisfied.

- The Weil APA Mark-up fails to address the overly broad and improper release provision in the ESL APA.
 - O Under the Weil APA Mark-up, ESL and the Cyrus Related Parties continue to receive broad releases for the nominal consideration of \$35 million. As the Creditors' Committee has repeated countless times, there exist extremely valuable causes of action against ESL and related entities that are worth hundreds of millions of dollars to the Debtors' estates, and the Creditors' Committee intends to commence such litigation immediately. Accordingly, any ESL transaction necessarily cannot include all-encompassing releases, nor can ESL be permitted to credit bid without providing security in the form of a letter of credit or cash escrow in an amount equal to its proposed credit bid.
- There continue to be significant concerns about ESL's ability to provide adequate assurance of future performance under assumed contracts and leases.
 - o Significant, legitimate concerns remain regarding ESL's ability to provide adequate assurance of future performance under contracts and leases that the January 9 Bid contemplates assuming or assigning. As stated in the January 11 Letter, there is no viable future for a go-forward Sears enterprise absent virtually impossible SG&A cuts. Accordingly, neither ESL nor the Debtors, according to their own analysis, will be able to provide adequate assurance of further performance to contract and lease counterparties under the current—or any—ESL construct absent material additional financing to support the ESL bid.

⁹ Upon information and belief, ESL has provided its business plan to the Restructuring Subcommittee, but has refused to provide such plan to the Creditors' Committee. The Creditors' Committee assumes such reluctance is because ESL's proposed business plan is premised upon unattainable SG&A and EBITDA figures.



The Creditors' Committee urges the Board to consider the issues raised in our prior correspondence and herein, and that the Creditors' Committee has expressed to the Debtors and the Court throughout the pendency of these cases. If, however, the Board chooses to pursue an ill-fated going concern path premised on the ESL APA (or any ESL transaction that permits ESL to credit bid and affords ESL, Lampert and the Cyrus Related Parties broad, sweeping releases), the Creditors' Committee will take immediate action to commence appropriate litigation to prevent such transaction from proceeding.

For the avoidance of doubt, the Creditors' Committee reserves all of its rights, remedies, claims and defenses.

Please ensure that a copy of this letter is sent promptly to each member of the Board. The Creditors' Committee looks forward to hearing from the Debtors and their advisors regarding next steps.

Very truly yours,

Ira S. Dizengoff

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Exhibit C

Auction Transcript January 15, 2019

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Page 40 1 Proceedings - 1/15/19 2 MR. SCHROCK: Let's go back on It is January 15, 2019 at the record. approximately 10:05 a.m. First of all, thank you to 6 everyone for your patience and working 7 with the debtors yesterday. There has been a significant amount of back-and-forth between ESL, as well as 10 with the debtors and their consultation 11 parties. And we decided late last 12 night to allow ESL overnight to put 13 together a response to the proposal 14 from the debtors, and at this time, we 15 will have them put that proposal on the 16 record, after which time we are going to take a break, go discuss it with the 17 restructuring committee and the 18 19 consultation parties. 20 We will go back on the record 21 with the debtors' decision as to 22 whether or not the offer is higher or 23 better or a successful bid, a/k/a 24 successful bid, and from that, we will 25 make a decision about whether or not

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- the auction will remain open or we will
- 3 close the action at that time.
- Just a quick reminder, of course
- 5 the auction, as long as the auction
- fermains open, everyone remains bound by
- the auction rules, especially the
- 8 duties of confidentiality that are
- 9 contained in the auction rules.
- But thanks for your patience.
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- MR. O'NEAL: Good morning. Sean
- O'Neal, Cleary Gottlieb, on behalf of
- 14 ESL.
- I do want to put some things on
- the record because this is no ordinary
- moment. It's not an ordinary auction.
- Really the fate of an American icon and
- the fate of 45,000 employees hangs in
- the balance.
- Since December 28, ESL has
- improved its bid, improved its offer in
- response to an ever-increasing list of
- 24 demands.
- Over the past few weeks, the

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      debtors have been singularly focused on
      one thing, which is requiring ESL to
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Page 43 1 Proceedings - 1/15/19 2 that we believe their purported concerns about administrative insolvency are belied by their own analysis, their own liquidation 6 analysis, which ignores the statutory 7 priorities that recall ESL's adequate protection super priority claims, as well as the adequate protection super 10 priority claims of all second lien 11 lenders to be senior to all general 12 administrative claims. 13 In fact, by our read, the 14 debtors' liquidation analysis shows 15 that the proposed liquidation will 16 render them administratively insolvent. 17 They cannot pay ESL for Cyrus' adequate 18 protection claims. They can only 19 purport to pay general administrative 20 claims by subordinating the second 21 lienholder adequate protection claims. 22 I will not belabor the point, but 23 we have certainly relayed it to the 24 debtors. But we do feel compelled to 25 put that on the record today.

Page 44 1 Proceedings - 1/15/19 2 Now, at the beginning of the auction, we described the ESL bid which included numerous improvements focusing on conditionality and employee-related 6 issues. 7 We were here on Friday, we were here on Saturday, we were here on We always had our principals Sunday. 10 available, every moment. And 11 yesterday, we had one of our lead 12 principals here all day until the early 13 morning hours. 14 During the day, from 8 a.m. until 15 well past midnight, we met with the 16 debtors extensively and their 17 professionals extensively. We debated 18 and we argued and we fought, but we 19 also try to get to a deal, ESL tried to 20 get to a deal. 21 Last night, we received an 22 extraordinary fill or kill offer from 23 the debtors, including the 24 subcommittee. I say extraordinary 25 because it simply cannot be accepted.

Page 45 1 Proceedings - 1/15/19 2 It was not an offer that could be I will not take time to accepted. describe that offer. Nonetheless, in the interest of 6 trying to move things forward, ESL has improved its bid and I will now describe those modifications. In response to concerns about 10 conditionality, we have made a number 11 of revisions and we made these 12 revisions late into the night. 13 Number one, we removed the 14 condition precedent requiring an 15 amendment to the Seritage master lease. 16 Number two, we have modified the closing conditions relating to the 17 18 delivery of inventory and receivables to make it easier for the debtors to 19 20 satisfy. 21 Number three, we provided the 22 estate with the benefit of any 23 inventory and receivables in excess of 24 amounts required to satisfy closing 25 conditions.

Page 46 1 Proceedings - 1/15/19 Number four, subject to lender approval, we removed the marketing period requirement and eased the required information delivery 6 obligations for marketing the buyer's 7 financing. Number five, we accelerated the timing of assumed payment obligations 10 so, for example, the buyer would 11 reimburse severance as paid on the 12 current projected timeline when due. 13 The buyer will pay assumed 14 liabilities -- I am sorry, would pay 15 assumed payables when due and buyer 16 would pay 503(b)(9) obligations on the 17 earlier of 120 days after the closing 18 and plan confirmation. 19 Next, we removed the requirement 20 that holders of protection agreements 21 affirm their agreements before the 22 buyer will assume those obligations. 23 And finally, we extended the 24 obligation to continue compensation and 25 benefits through the fiscal year ending

Page 47 1 Proceedings - 1/15/19 2 2020. In addition, we, on an economic perspective, we improved the bid by 50 million dollars. We have eliminated 6 the 30 million dollar expense reimbursement, and we have agreed not to reduce the purchase price despite the fact that the assets included in 10 the December 7 list that was provided 11 to us had 20 million in assets that had 12 already been sold and cannot be 13 transferred to NewCo. 14 Now, we have a copy of the APA 15 reflecting these improvements which we 16 will mark as an exhibit for the auction 17 proceedings. 18 (Exhibit A, document entitled 19 "Asset Purchase Agreement By and Among 20 Transform HoldCo LLC, Sears Holdings 21 Corporation, and its Subsidiary Parties 22 Hereto" marked for identification, as 23 of this date.) 24 MR. O'NEAL: Now, we hope that 25 Sears will accept this offer. We hope

Page 48 1 Proceedings - 1/15/19 2 that the debtors will accept this offer. We believe this is a pivotal moment in the life of Sears. 6 company and the board have the 7 opportunity to accept a compelling bid that provides for more than 1.5 billion in value in excess of the liquidation 10 analysis. 11 We believe that liquidation will 12 result only in less value to the 13 stakeholders. The experience of the 14 debtors in this auction process, as 15 well as virtually every single other 16 retail bankruptcy, make it abundantly clear that liquidation results in lower 17 18 recoveries. 19 Here, the debtors are faced with 20 a going concern bid that pays in full 21 all senior creditors and provides some 22 value for unsecured creditors, 23 including through continued employment, 24 continued vendor relationships, 25 continued customer relationships, and

Page 49 1 Proceedings - 1/15/19 2 an opportunity for recoveries to other unsecured creditors. As we have told to the debtors, to the extent that our offer is not rejected -- or is not accepted, to the extent that our offer is not accepted, we will have no choice but to seek redress. 10 That is all we have to say. 11 Thank you very much. 12 MR. SCHROCK: Ray Schrock for 13 Weil, for the debtors. 14 Thank you, Sean. We will review 15 the proposal and go through the steps 16 that I discussed before you went on the 17 record and we will respond more fully, 18 I'm sure at that time. 19 But in the meantime, you can 20 certainly take for the record that the 21 debtors disagree with much of what you 22 said about the actions of this process. 23 Thank you. We are adjourned. 24 (Recess) 25 MR. SCHROCK: Back on the record.

Page 50 1 Proceedings - 1/15/19 Good afternoon. Again, Ray Schrock, Weil Gotshal on behalf of the debtors, attorneys for Sears. It is January 15, approximately 1:12 p.m. And I'm here to announce the status of ESL's bid. First, just a quick reminder about the debtor's corporate governance 10 The role of the structure. 11 restructuring committee is to review 12 affiliate transactions, among other 13 The subcommittee is or the 14 restructuring committee is handling all 15 issues associated with credit bidding. 16 So with this announcement, I'm 17 going to ask Paul Basta on behalf of the restructuring subcommittee to come 18 19 up here, and if the official committee 20 of unsecured creditors or other 21 consultation parties want to speak, 22 they are certainly free to do so. 23 At this time, unfortunately, 24 after consulting with the consultation 25 parties, the restructuring committee

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      has determined that the ESL bid is not
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      and trying to ensure that you have
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      enough cash to get to the closing and,
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      you know, get past the close, it's an
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      extraordinarily difficult exercise.
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      And I think for both sides in fairness.
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Page 52 1 Proceedings - 1/15/19 2 But when we run the company's numbers and we are talking about a closing that would occur as guickly as February 8, there is simply not enough 6 cash to get to the closing. OK. 7 even if we wanted to accept the transaction, there is not enough cash to get to the closing. We're roughly, 10 at least 150 million dollars short. 11 There has been a lot of talk and 12 some hyperbole on the record about 13 qoal-post moving. This is a 14 multi-billion dollar corporation. 15 are talking about buying all of the 16 assets and then leaving the company with basically a going concern, but 17 18 everything is gone and then to have the 19 estate be able to wind up 20 professionally, you know, allow the 21 parties and the stakeholders to have 22 what they have and get a plan 23 confirmed -- there is always going to 24 be movement on administrative claims in 25 a company of this size. But when we

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      are talking about moving 20 million, 30
     million dollars for a company with
     billions of dollars in sales, things
                          So we are doing the
      change day to day.
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     very best we can, but I'm proud of the
     work that financial professionals and
      the legal professionals have done
      representing the committee.
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            On the financing front, I would
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      just note that we still think that even
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      though ESL has said their obligation or
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      their APA are not subject to financing,
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      there is conditioned obligations
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      related to the financing. And the
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      ability to get the senior financing
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      closed, it is -- on NewCo, it is not
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      certain. OK.
                     And that's a risk that
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      effectively the company was being asked
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      to bear.
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            The aggregate proceeds under
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      ESL's ABL financing were limited to 850
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     million. We are trying to find a way
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      to manage-down to that number because
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      the company's projections showed it
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      would be a much larger number.
      there is some complicated calculations
      that I won't go into.
            I think the parties are working
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      very hard to try and get there but,
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      frankly, that risk and asking the
      company to bear that risk to close, it
      was not something that we felt was fair
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      or in the company's best interest to
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      take that risk.
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            The company's other major junior
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      DIP financing partner, Cyrus, I believe
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      was going to take up to 230 million of
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      the junior DIP and roll it. We never
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      heard if it was officially 230, but I
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      will accept, you know, based on
      conversations with counsel -- and I'm
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      getting a thumb's up for the record
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      from Cyrus that they would, in fact,
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      get to the 230 -- that still left us
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      with 120 of the junior DIP we were
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      going to have to repay and those are
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      our projections that we would draw the
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      full junior DIP.
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Page 55 1 Proceedings - 1/15/19 2 Having to pay off that junior DIP at close was certainly a major hurdle that we just couldn't clear in trying to accept the transaction. It's not 6 something where we could just say 7 that's the estate's problem. There has been a lot of discussion about administrative 10 insolvency, insolvency, and certainly 11 it is something that, as professionals 12 and for the company to be able to pay 13 and when we filed the company in the 14 Second Circuit, you know, a major 15 consideration for the board was paying 16 severance for employees, and the Second 17 Circuit is one of those jurisdictions 18 where administrative claims, you know, 19 include severance and it's very unique, 20 unlike Toys-R-Us and other 21 jurisdictions where it becomes 22 prepetition claims, and so getting this 23 wind-down account, being able to take a 24 care of the employees no matter what 25 happened, it was a fundamental working

1 Proceedings - 1/15/19 2 premise for the advisors, for the board in engaging in this exercise. And so when you hear the restructuring committee and the 6 professionals talk about administrative 7 solvency, we want to make sure that we are taking care of the employees. ant to make sure we are wrapping up the 10 It is not about just confirming 11 a plan. 12 But we believe and continue to 13 believe that we have a path to do so 14 under the company's alternatives, and I 15 would note the company's other 16 alternatives are conservative in their 17 assumptions. We will let the record 18 speak for itself on exactly how you 19 parse through that, but there is 20 certainly upside, we believe, in the 21 liquidation analysis and certainly 22 other alternatives that could be 23 pursued. 24 But unfortunately, ESL and the 25 debtors we have not been able to agree

Page 57 1 Proceedings - 1/15/19 2 on what it's going to take and be able to keep the company on the right side of administrative insolvency. When we looked at the 6 consideration that was being provided for unencumbered assets or -- as for unencumbered assets, most of those assets were being purchased by ESL for 10 relatively little consideration. 11 debtors already have indications of 12 interest for several hundred million 13 dollars on those assets, but we were 14 willing to try to find a way to bridge 15 the gap there on this. 16 But when you couple that with having a party that's buying basically 17 18 all of the assets and we are left in 19 administratively insolvent position, we 20 believe that there was insufficient 21 consideration for the unencumbered 22 assets. 23 On the assumption of 24 administrative liabilities, I think we 25 made a lot of progress over the last

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      several days, and I think the changes
      that ESL made were extremely helpful on
      503(b)(9) claims, as well as the
      assumption of liabilities for accounts
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      payable.
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            I think that's just the law.
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      think that's the way it had to work and
      I don't think the court has
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      jurisdiction to change those terms.
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      while I appreciate the ESL made those
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      changes, I don't think the court really
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      had the ability to modify those terms
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      otherwise.
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            I know that we have taken the 30
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      million dollar expense reimbursement
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      off the table for the record.
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      with that -- that expense reimbursement
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      was being requested in contravention of
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      the global asset bidding procedures
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      order.
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            On the employee front, that was
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      one of the primary benefits we
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      considered with the ESL transaction, of
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      course, and the ability to keep
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Pa 223 of 598 Page 59 1 Proceedings - 1/15/19 2 everyone employed. It was a very significant consideration for the restructuring committee. The EPA has revised -- I think 6 Mr. O'Neal mentioned that it was going to -- that the benefits on severance had been extended through 2020. But I think just to correct, and this might 10 have been an oversight in his comments, that it's really through the fiscal 11 12 2020, so really through February --13 January 31, 2020. So it is really just 14 was a month change at the end of the 15 day. 16 The transfer taxes were still 17 going to be reduced, reduce the 18 purchase price. The tax liabilities 19 were there. The credit bid and release 20 issues remained unresolved as we 21 approached the finish line here. 22 overall, on the closing risk, we just

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felt that, listen, this was -- there

was still a lot of risk in the

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      being borne by the estate for getting
      to the closing and without recourse to
      the remainder of the deposit.
            I take serious issue with any
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      kind of suggestion that we are like
      moving goal posts or otherwise doing
      things to get ESL 17.9 million dollars.
            Frankly, I can't think of another
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      situation where a group has done more
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      to try and make a bid work. But it is
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      especially difficult to try and do that
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      in a situation where you have got an
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      insider and chairman, when, you know,
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      we are facing the potential litigation
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      with that very party while trying to
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      evaluate the bid.
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      which is the party that owns the
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      intellectual property, Kenmore, Die
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      Hard.
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      administrative claim. We were going to
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      try to manage through that, frankly,
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      through some very aggressive legal
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      strategies. That's a 100-plus-million
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1 Proceedings - 1/15/19 2 dollar administrative claim. It's not an attempt to hold anyone up. It is just a reality. Listen, we have got administrative claims. These are 6 super-priority claims, even if they 7 were to become a get debtor under the cash management offer. There is no waiver, even after 10 the purchase of all these assets, there 11 was not waiver of 507(b) claims and 12 other claims in the estate after 13 purchasing the assets. 14 So that we would be left with 15 very significant claims that I quess 16 would still threaten to take 17 recoveries. We were hopeful we could 18 bridge the gap on that, but at the end 19 of the day those still remained on the 20 table and remained an issue for 21 everyone. And then finally, I just want to 22 23 note that this is not an exhaustive 24 list of issues, and after Mr. Basta 25 speaks, after we go speak to the judge,

Pa 226 of 598 Page 62 1 Proceedings - 1/15/19 2 this is all highly confidential until the record is closed. But after we speak to the judge, we will come back on the record, we will let you know the next steps. But I want to stress that -- I can speak personally that we have done everything we can to try and make this work. 10 So Paul. 11 Hello everybody, Paul MR. BASTA: 12 Basta from Paul Weiss. We represent 13 the subcommittee of the board of Sears 14 Holdings. 15 The mandate of the subcommittee 16 is to investigate and prosecute estate 17 causes of action including causes of 18 action against ESL and its affiliates. 19 As Ray mentioned, the mandate 20 also includes the authority to approve 21 or disapprove of any ESL transaction 22 that involves releases or the right to 23 credit bid. 24 The subcommittee has taken its

job incredibly seriously, the

Page 63 1 Proceedings - 1/15/19 subcommittee received approximately 1.1 million documents from relevant counterparties and we have also received and reviewed confidential and previously undisclosed evidence. The restructuring committee conducted on-the-record interviews with the creditors committee with a key 10 players in this unfolding saga, 11 including Mr. Lampert of ESL. 12 The subcommittee has reached the 13 conclusion that substantial claims 14 exist against ESL and its affiliates, 15 as well as other defendants relating to 16 ESL's abuse of its control of the 17 debtors and the transfer of hundreds of 18 million of dollars of assets to ESL and 19 its affiliates for inadequate 20 consideration. Those transfers hurt 21 Sears and its employees. 22 As a result of this conclusion, 23 we find ourselves in the unique 24 situation where the sole going concern 25 bidder for Sears is a party for which

Page 64 1 Proceedings - 1/15/19 2 there are substantial claims against which there are substantial claims. Under normal circumstances, this would be the end of the inquiry. defendant would not be permitted as a matter of fairness or under Bankruptcy Code jurisprudence from credit bidding for assets until the claims against 10 that party were resolved or if there 11 was a cash backstop to the credit bid. 12 The restructuring committee would 13 not accept that outcome because it 14 believes in the reorganization purpose 15 of the Bankruptcy Code, it owes a 16 fiduciary duty to Sears, and it cares 17 about Sears and its employees. 18 Accordingly, the subcommittee 19 proposed solutions to ESL. The 20 subcommittee proposed that ESL could 21 credit bid, receive a release of equitable subordination and 22 23 recharacterization claims if it 24 proposed a better transaction. And a 25 better transaction is a transaction

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      that can close, that would not leave
      the company administratively insolvent,
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      for creditors other than ESL, and that
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      provided some direct consideration for
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      the opportunity to credit bid and
      release the equitable subordination and
      recharacterization claims.
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            The subcommittee also proposed to
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      ESL that it could receive a broader
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      release if it paid consideration for
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      such broader release.
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            Unfortunately, the proposed ESL
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      transaction meets none of the legal
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      requirements and primarily benefits
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      ESL.
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            It is unfortunate and sad that
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      its clear from the earlier record that
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      ESL intends to pay a blame game and
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      blame the fiduciaries who are trying to
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      reach the right outcome here for the
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      outcome, and in that process, ESL has
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      made a number of misstatements on the
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      prior record that require correction.
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Page 66 1 Proceedings - 1/15/19 2 ESL suggested that their bid is viable and it can close. Any benefits of the ESL transaction are ephemeral for the reasons that Ray articulated 6 and that the company does not have sufficient cash to close the Administrative solvency transaction. is a commitment by the company to pay 10 back those parties that provide goods 11 and services to the estate 12 post-petition, so it can conduct a 13 reorganization and get to the other 14 ESL's bid leaves the company side. 15 admittedly administratively insolvent. 16 While ESL acknowledges that 17 infirmity in the bid, they suggest that 18 the company would be administratively 19 insolvent in a wind-down. That is not 20 the analysis of the subcommittee or its 21 advisors, and it's predicated on the 22 threat of a significant administrative 23 claim to be asserted by ESL when this 24 company has engaged in bankruptcy and

incurred substantial losses for the

Page 67 1 Proceedings - 1/15/19 2 purpose of trying to enable a going concern bid by ESL. ESL is assuming substantial administrative claims and it has 6 suggested to the subcommittee that those assumptions of liabilities should be given credit in connection with allowing credit bidding or a release. 10 The analysis of the subcommittee 11 and its financial advisors is that 12 while ESL is, in fact, assuming 13 liabilities, the unencumbered assets 14 that they are receiving in exchange 15 have a value that is greater than the 16 liabilities that ESL is assuming. 17 Another misstatement is that ESL 18 actually negotiated with the 19 subcommittee. That did not occur. ESL 20 has known the subcommittee's position 21 regarding credit bidding and releases 22 since the January 4 hearing. 23 subcommittee and its professionals sat 24 in a conference room all day Friday

waiting to negotiate with ESL and that

Page 68 1 Proceedings - 1/15/19 2 never happened. The subcommittee was told to return on Sunday morning to negotiate with ESL. The subcommittee came back, spent all day in a conference room here at Weil, and there was never any negotiation. The subcommittee was told to 10 return on Monday, late in the day on 11 Monday, after it waited around all day. 12 It was asked to provide a take-it or 13 leave-it. It didn't give a take-it or 14 leave-it. It was asked to provide a 15 take-it or leave-it, so we provided it 16 and it was rejected. 17 We agree with ESL that this is a 18 sad day for Sears and its employees. 19 The subcommittee hoped that ESL would 20 have been in a position to propose a 21 viable transaction that could have 22 closed and that could have given the 23 opportunity to credit bid. 24 Good afternoon, Phil MR. DUBLIN:

Dublin, Akin Gump for the committee.

Page 69 1 Proceedings - 1/15/19 I'll be very brief. In short the committee agrees with the debtors' conclusion that the ESL bid is not the highest and best alternative available for Sears and its stakeholders. Among other things, not even taking into account what we believe is woefully inadequate consideration under 10 the ESL bid for the proposed releases 11 and the right to credit bid, the 12 committee believes that the ESL bid 13 will receive the debtors' estates administratively insolvent. 14 15 It is not executable in the short 16 term or actionable for the long term and contains significant 17 conditionality, including conditions 18 19 outside the debtors' control. 20 Essentially, ESL's bid evidences 21 a one-way option for ESL to push the 22 debtors' estates at great risk. 23 The committee believes the 24 debtors' wind-down waterfall, while 25 conservative, evidences that sufficient

Page 70 1 Proceedings - 1/15/19 2 value will be obtained from such process to ensure the debtors' estates are not rendered administratively insolvent. The committee disagrees with ESL's assertions that ESL was misled by the debtors as to the administrative solvency shortfall and numbers were 10 appropriately updated for a company of 11 this size. 12 Since the filing of these cases, 13 there can be no dispute that the 14 company has bent over backwards to 15 enable ESL to submit an executable, 16 going concern bid which it has 17 repeatedly failed to do. 18 The time and money spent by the 19 debtors in pursuing the go-forward 20 process since these cases were 21 commenced was done for ESL's and its 22 partners benefit. 23 Throughout the process, the 24 debtors continually made their 25 professionals and principals available

Page 71 1 Proceedings - 1/16/19 2 to meet with ESL, including through the last week and through the weekend to engage with ESL on it bid. In short, the committee believes 6 that ESL's bid is not the highest and best alternative available for these estates and it is not actionable. MR. SCHROCK: So we are going to 10 adjourn the auction at this time. 11 record is not closed. And we will let 12 you know when we are reconvening. 13 Thanks. 14 (Recess) 15 MR. SCHROCK: Good morning. Ιt 16 is January 16 at 12:47 a.m. Continuing 17 the Sears Holding Corporation auction. Ray Schrock, Weil Gotshal. 18 19 So we have been in discussions 20 with ESL, as well as consultation 21 parties over the last several hours. 22 We have had one private chambers 23 conference with the Court and I believe 24 at this time, ESL wishes to put a 25 revised offer on to the auction record.

Page 72 1 Proceedings - 1/16/19 2 MR. O'NEAL: Good morning. you for being here and thank you for all of the efforts that have been occurring throughout the day. It has been a long day and a long night and it has been a series of long days and a series of long nights. And we do have the ESL bid and it is the final bid. The terms that ESL 10 11 is offering under this bid -- which has 12 not yet been reduced to written form in 13 an APA but can be -- include the 14 following: NewCo to assume the 15 entirety of the 350 million dollars and 16 the junior DIP. This stands as an 17 increase in 120 million dollars in the junior DIP that will be rolled over 18 19 into NewCo. 20 Second, NewCo to pay 19 million 21 dollars in transfer taxes. 22 Third, NewCo to assume 4 million 23 dollars in mechanics liens. 24 Fourth, NewCo to purchase the

cash and the store registers, estimated

Page 73 1 Proceedings - 1/16/19 to be approximately 17 million dollars. Next -- and I would -- I should note that this stands as total additional value beyond this morning's bid of 156 million dollars. In addition, the debtors to retain 13 million dollars in hurricane insurance proceeds. 10 And then finally, NewCo to 11 acquire the proceeds from the sale of 12 SHIP to Service.Com, and in the event 13 such sale is not closed on January 22, 14 NewCo to acquire SHIP. 15 In addition, there have been 16 extensive discussions concerning a release, and I will now describe the 17 18 terms of the release that ESL has 19 proposed. 20 For a 35 million dollar cash 21 payment at closing, ESL would be permitted to credit bid all of its debt 22 23 claims that would be allowed and there 24 would be no collateral attack on any 25 conversion of the debt into NewCo

Page 74 1 Proceedings - 1/16/19 2 equity or any transactions that are approved by the court. ESL would retain its deficiency in 507(b) claims subject to certain 6 limitations that I will describe below. 7 ESL to waive recovery on account of Section 507(b) claims from the proceeds of litigation related to 10 Seritage, Lands End or other 11 transactions involving intentional 12 misconduct by ESL. 13 And ESL's recovery on account of 14 507(b) claims from the proceeds of 15 other litigation would be capped at 50 16 million dollars, and participation 17 beyond that amount in any kind of 18 recoveries for litigation claims 19 outside of the Seritage, Lands End or 20 those involving an intentional 21 misconduct by ESL would be shared pro 22 rata with unsecured claims, and then 23 finally, ESL to not use section 507(b) 24 claims to block any confirmation of any 25 plan by Sears. I think that reflects

Page 75 1 Proceedings - 1/16/19 2 the terms of our offer. I appreciate your time and consideration. Thank you. 5 MR. SCHROCK: OK. Thanks, Sean. 6 And at this time, we will have a 7 brief adjournment just for the restructuring committee to consider the proposal that has been made on the 10 record and we will come back on with 11 the restructuring committee's decision. 12 Thanks. So we stand adjourned. 13 (Pause) 14 MR. SCHROCK: Back on the record 15 for just a moment. I should have added 16 "and will consult with the consultation parties before coming back on record." 17 18 (Recess) 19 MR. SCHROCK: Let's go back on 20 the record. Ray Schrock of Weil 21 Gotshal & Manges. It is January 16 at 22 2:20 a.m. Thanks once again for 23 everybody's patience. I think ESL 24 wishes to make one clarification and 25 then I'll retake the podium.

Page 76 1 Proceedings - 1/16/19 Sure. MR. O'NEAL: I've been asked to make a clarification of one of the bullets that was stated at the prior session. Mr. Basta has requested 6 this to reflect actually the intent. 7 And I'll just read the revised This is the fourth component lanquaqe. of the credit bid concept. 10 And what it says is that ESL to 11 waive recovery on account of 507(b) 12 claims and deficiency claims from the 13 proceeds of litigation related to 14 Seritage, Lands End or other 15 transactions involving intentional 16 misconduct by ESL. We are simply adding "and deficiency claims" to that 17 18 Thank you. sentence. 19 Thanks Sean. MR. SCHROCK: 20 So on behalf of the debtors and 21 particularly the restructuring 22 committee, having considered ESL's 23 revised proposal and the material 24 increase and consideration that has 25 been put on the table, after

18-23538-shl Doc 2344 Filed 02/01/19 Entered 02/01/19 15:02:28 Main Document Pa 241 of 598 Page 77 1 Proceedings - 1/16/19 2 deliberation, the restructuring committee has decided to accept the ESL offer as a higher or better offer, subject to, importantly, documentation. 6 The documentation has not been completed for any of this. I think that the parties need to -- are going to have to continue working on it and 10 will attempt to finish the 11 documentation as quickly as possible 12 during the day today. 13 For that reason, the auction will 14 remain open until completion of that

documentation and we can hopefully submit it as part of the record.

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I do want to note this is not an easy decision for the restructuring committee. We do appreciate all of the parties and the consultation parties on what they have been able to put on the table.

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      trying to come up with a solution where
      the debtors could attempt to maximize
      value, preserve thousands of jobs, and
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            Now, with all of those things
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      being said, we do believe that the bid
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      course of action for the estates.
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            I'll let the official unsecured
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      creditors committee step up. I'm sure
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      they want to make a statement.
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            MR. DIZENGOFF:
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      Dizengoff, Akin, Gump, Strauss Hauer &
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      Feld on behalf of unsecured creditors
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      committee.
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1 Proceedings - 1/16/19 Just so the record is clear, the debtor did not -- did not consult with the creditors committee before making decision to accept this bid. The bid was put on the record, the debtor adjourned and had its board calls and restructuring committee calls and did not ask for the input of its creditors 10 about that bid and this then made 11 conclusion to accept the bid. Just so 12 we are clear on that. 13 We think the bid suffers from the 14 same deficiencies as previously 15 articulated, not material movement from 16 this afternoon. Our math suggests, 17 your own math, excuse me, suggests that 18 the administrative deficiency here is 19 somewhere between 90 million and 200 20 million dollars and that this estate 21 will be rendered administratively 22 insolvent. 23 In addition, Judge Drain made 24 pretty clear that the company should 25 discuss conditionality and execution

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              Those comments, whether the
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      debtors addressed that or not, we have
      no idea because we haven't seen an
      asset purchase agreement, but those
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      were issues that he made pretty clear
      that should be addressed and should be
      addressed to us. We haven't seen that
      yet.
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            As to the release, there is no
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      clarity in our mind what the terms of
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      the release are. We think that there
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      is inadequate consideration for the
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      credit bid. Per Judge Drain's explicit
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      instruction, there was supposed to be
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      an analysis.
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      wind-down scenario, we have not seen
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      that.
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      inadequate consideration for that
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      of our concerns with this. We reserve
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      all our rights to object to this
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      proposal and the path forward and this
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            MR. SCHROCK: Again, Ray Schrock,
      just briefly.
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            We were very aware of the
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      unsecured creditors committee's views
      and we took those into account in
      making a decision. But we will let the
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      record stand for itself.
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      going to be plenty of time if people
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      want to argue about this as we approach
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      the sale hearing, but we will keep the
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      auction adjourned at this time subject
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      to anyone else wanting -- everybody's
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      rights are reserved, just to be clear.
      No rights, no rights lost.
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            Just very briefly.
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            MR. O'NEAL: Thank you very much.
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      Sean O'Neal, Clearly Gottlieb Steen &
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      Hamilton on behalf of ESL.
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            I just wanted to confirm, as has
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      been discussed, that while we have
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      reached agreement on the key terms
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      described in the record, it does remain
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Page 82 1 Proceedings - 1/16/19 2 subject to full documentation and to be agreed among the parties and also it needs to be confirmed by the NewCo financing sources which have been very 6 much involved in our discussions and we 7 anticipate occurring promptly. 8 Thank you. MR. SCHROCK: With that, we will 10 stand adjourned. 11 (Time noted: 2:26 a.m.) 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25

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ASSET PURCHASE AGREEMENT

THIS ASSET PURCHASE AGREEMENT (this "Agreement") is made as of [•] (the "Effective Date"), by and between Transform Holdco LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company (together with any applicable Affiliated Designee (as defined below), "Buyer"), and Sears Holdings Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("SHC" or the "Seller" and together with each of its Subsidiaries party hereto, the "Sellers").

RECITALS

WHEREAS, among other things, Sellers own and operate, through direct and indirect Subsidiaries:

- (a) a national network of retail stores and pharmacies under the "Sears" and "Kmart" brands as conducted at the Operating Owned Properties and the Operating Leased Properties (as defined below) and the supporting general and administrative functions related to such retail stores;
- (b) a national network of specialty stores, including under the "Sears Auto Centers" brand;
- (c) a business that provides various home services solutions, including product repair, repair parts and accessories under the "PartsDirect" brand, home improvement project services, franchise services in the residential home service sector, repair services under the "ServiceLive" brand or the "Sears Home Services" brand and home solution technology under the "Wally" brand;
- (d) the KCD Notes (as defined below) and the business of designing, researching, developing, testing, having made, procuring the manufacture of, packaging, selling, marketing and distributing products and services under the Kenmore Marks and the DieHard Marks and licensing the Kenmore Marks and the DieHard Marks to third parties (the "Kenmore/DieHard Business");
- (e) a business that distributes and sells appliances under the "Monark Premium Appliance Co." brand;
- (f) a business that provides home delivery and retail installation services, including for third party customers, freight management, truck-load solutions, warehousing and final-mile delivery services;
 - (g) various websites under the sears.com and kmart.com banners; and
- (h) a membership program for Sellers' members, including that offered under the "Shop Your Way" brand,

(collectively, each of (a) through (h) above, but excluding the "Business" as defined in the SHIP Purchase Agreement (as defined below), the "Business");¹

WHEREAS, on October 15, 2018, (the "Petition Date") (or, with respect to certain Sellers as applicable, following the Petition Date), Sellers filed voluntary petitions for relief (the "Filing") commencing cases under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code (the "Bankruptcy Cases") in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the "Bankruptcy Court");

WHEREAS, Sellers desire to sell to Buyer (or, in accordance with the terms set forth herein, an applicable Assignee (as defined below)) the Designation Rights (as defined below) and Acquired Assets (as defined below) and to transfer to Buyer the Assumed Liabilities (as defined below) and Buyer desires to purchase from Sellers the Designation Rights and Acquired Assets and to assume from Seller the Assumed Liabilities, in each case on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this Agreement;

WHEREAS, the Parties (as defined below) desire to consummate the proposed transactions as promptly as practicable after the Bankruptcy Court enters the Approval Order (as defined below), subject to the terms of this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Parties desire and intend that the transactions set forth in this Agreement, together with the Bankruptcy Plan (as defined below), will, unless Buyer elects otherwise pursuant to this Agreement, (i) constitute one or more plans of reorganization under section 368(a) of the Code (as defined below) and as qualifying as one or more reorganizations thereunder and (ii) satisfy the ownership requirements set forth in section 382(l)(5)(A)(ii) of the Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and the mutual promises herein made, and in consideration of the representations, warranties and covenants herein contained, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which are hereby acknowledged and intending to be legally bound hereby, the Parties agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

DEFINITIONS

Section 1.1 <u>Definitions</u>. For purposes of this Agreement, the following terms have the meanings specified or referenced below.

"401(k) Plan" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.7(b).

¹ Note to Buyer: The reference to "GOB Stores" has been removed as any real estate not being acquired under this Agreement is excluded by the use of "Properties" in (a) above.

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- "ABL Commitment Letter" shall mean the commitment letter (including all annexes, exhibits, schedules and other attachments thereto) among Buyer, Bank of America, N.A., Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, Citigroup Global Markets, Inc. and Royal Bank of Canada, dated as of the date hereof, as amended, supplemented or replaced in compliance with the terms hereof and thereof.
- "ABL Financing" shall mean the financing incurred or intended to be incurred pursuant to the ABL Commitment Letter, including the borrowing of loans contemplated by the ABL Commitment Letter.
- "ABL Financing Sources" shall mean the Financing Sources specified in clause (z) of the definition of "Financing Sources".
 - "Acquired Assets" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1.
 - "Acquired Data" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(g).
- "Acquired Equipment" shall mean, with respect to any Acquired Property, all Equipment to the extent located at or on the applicable Acquired Lease Premises or Owned Real Property.²
 - "Acquired Foreign Assets" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.13(a).
- "Acquired Improvements" shall mean, with respect to any Acquired Property, all Improvements located on or comprising the applicable Acquired Lease Premises or Owned Real Property.
 - "Acquired Intellectual Property" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(e).
- "Acquired Inventory" shall mean (i) with respect to any Operating Leased Property, all Inventory which is located at or on the applicable Operating Lease Property as of the Closing Date, (ii) with respect to any Operating Owned Property, all Inventory which is located at or on the Operating Owned Property as of the Closing Date, (iii) with respect to any IP/Ground Lease Property, all Inventory which is located at or on the IP/Ground Lease Property as of the Closing Date and (iv) all other Inventory Related to the Business other than Inventory included in clause (ii) of the definition of Excluded Inventory.
- "Acquired Lease" shall mean each Lease that is assumed by any Seller and assigned to Buyer pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.
- "Acquired Lease Premises" shall mean the Lease Premises which is the subject of an Acquired Lease.

Note to Draft: To be discussed if there is Equipment located at sites other than the Acquired Lease Premises or Owned Real Property proposed to be acquired.

- "Acquired Lease Rights" shall mean, with respect to an Acquired Lease, all real property rights and all other rights and interests of the tenant thereunder, including all options to renew, purchase, expand or lease (including rights of first refusal, first negotiation and first offer), and all credit for the prepaid rent associated therewith and all Security Deposits made in respect of such and any Improvements thereon.
- "Acquired Property" shall mean (i) each Lease Premises which is subject to an Acquired Lease and (ii) each Owned Real Property.
- "Acquired Receivables" shall mean (i) all Credit Card Accounts Receivable, (ii) all Pharmacy Receivables, (iii) the Specified Receivables and (iv) the Warranty Receivables.
- "Action" shall mean any Claim, action, complaint, suit, litigation, arbitration, appeal, petition, inquiry, hearing, Order, decree, legal proceeding, investigation or other legal dispute, whether civil, criminal, administrative or otherwise, at law or in equity, by or before any Governmental Authority.
 - "ADA" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of Law.
 - "Additional Contract" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.9.
- "Affiliate" shall mean, with respect to any Person, any other Person directly or indirectly controlling, controlled by, or under common control with, such other Person. For purposes of this definition, "control" when used with respect to any Person means the power to direct the management and policies of such Person, directly or indirectly, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise, and the terms "controlling" and "controlled" have correlative meanings. Notwithstanding the foregoing, (i) each Seller and its respective Subsidiaries, on the one hand, shall not, for the purposes of this Agreement, be deemed to be an "Affiliate" of ESL or Buyer or any of their respective Affiliates (excluding each Seller and its respective Subsidiaries), on the other hand, and (ii) Buyer, ESL and their Affiliates (excluding each Seller and its respective Subsidiaries), on the one hand, shall not, for the purposes of this Agreement, be deemed to be an "Affiliate" of Sellers or any of their respective Subsidiaries, on the other hand; and Buyer and ESL shall be deemed to be Affiliates of each other.
 - "Affiliated Designee" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 13.6.
- "Aggregate DIP Shortfall Amount" shall mean, as of the Closing Date, an amount equal to \$1,200,000,000 *less* the aggregate amounts required to be paid (net of any available cash) to fully satisfy the existing indebtedness of Sellers under both (i) the DIP Credit Agreement and (ii) the Junior DIP Term Loan Agreement.
 - "Agreement" shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.
 - "Agreement Assignment Notice" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.7(a)(ii).
 - "Allocation Schedule" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.3(e).

- "Alternative Financing" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 8.5.
- "Antitrust Actions" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 8.3(d).
- "Antitrust Division" shall mean the Antitrust Division of the United States Department of Justice.
- "Antitrust Laws" shall mean the Sherman Antitrust Act, the Clayton Antitrust Act of 1914, the HSR Act and all other federal, state and foreign statutes, rules, regulations, orders, decrees and other Laws and Orders that are designed or intended to prohibit, restrict or regulate actions having the purpose or effect of monopolization or restraint of trade or competition.
- "Approval Order" shall mean an Order approving the Transactions entered by the Bankruptcy Court in the Bankruptcy Cases substantially in the form of Exhibit A attached hereto or in a form reasonably agreed by Buyer and Sellers prior to the Closing.
 - "Arbitrator" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of Law.
- "Assigned Agreements" shall mean (i) the Citi Card Agreement, (ii) the Initial Assigned Agreements, (iii) the Designatable Leases, solely to the extent designated for assumption by the Sellers and assignment to Buyer by written notice from Buyer to Sellers delivered prior to the end of the Designation Rights Period, and (iv) such other Additional Contracts as Buyer elects to have assigned or assumed and assigned to Buyer in accordance with this Agreement.
- "Assigned Plans and Permits" shall mean, with respect to any Acquired Assets, all Plans and Permits, if any, that are assignable pursuant to the applicable issuing Governmental Authority and are Related to such Acquired Asset.
- "Assignee" shall mean, as to any Acquired Lease, Buyer or any other Person designated by Buyer in the applicable Buyer Assumption Notice.
 - "Assignment Actions" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5.2(c).
 - "Assignment and Assumption of Lease" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5.2(b).
 - "Assignment Instruments" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5.2(c).
- "Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims" shall mean all Liabilities against any of the Debtors arising under section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code.
- "Assumed Property Tax Liabilities" shall mean all Liabilities for Property Taxes payable with respect to any Acquired Property for Pre-Assignment Tax Periods, not to exceed \$135,000,000.
- "Assumed Customer Credits" shall mean all Liabilities arising under, or relating to, (i) any existing customer loyalty program (e.g., points, rewards, discounts, etc.) of any of Sellers or community marketing undertaken by any of Sellers, including Shop Your Way, and (ii) any

Liability in respect of any gift cards, gift certificates, merchandise credits, return credits, customer membership or customer loyalty discount programs, coupons, groupons or other similar credits or programs issued by, on behalf of or in relation to Sellers since January 1, 2018.

"Assumed Liabilities" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.3.

"Assumption Effective Date" shall mean, (i) with respect to the Initial Assigned Agreements, the Closing Date, (ii) with respect to the Designatable Leases, following the delivery of the applicable Buyer Assumption Notice, the earliest of (A) the deadline for objecting to assumption and assignment of such Lease, if no such objection is submitted and (B) the fifth (5th) Business Day following the date of resolution of any objection to assumption and assignment of such Lease, if any such objection is timely submitted and (iii) with respect to the Additional Contracts, the earliest of (A) the deadline for objecting to assumption and assignment of such Additional Contract, if no such objection is submitted and (B) the fifth (5th) Business Day following the date of resolution of any objection to assumption and assignment of such Additional Contract or to proposed Cure Costs, if any such objection is timely submitted.

"Auction" shall mean the auction undertaken pursuant to the Bidding Procedures Order.

"Avoidance Actions" shall mean any and all claims for relief of Sellers under chapter 5 of the Bankruptcy Code, or state fraudulent conveyance, fraudulent transfer or other similar state laws.

"Bankruptcy Cases" shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"Bankruptcy Code" shall mean Title 11 of the United States Code, sections 101 et seq.

"Bankruptcy Court" shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"Bankruptcy Plan" shall mean the joint chapter 11 plan for the Sellers in the Bankruptcy Cases.

"Bidding Procedures Order" shall mean the Order approving the global bidding procedures entered by the Bankruptcy Court in the Bankruptcy Cases on November 19, 2018 (Docket No. 816).

"BMA Consent" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.14(g).

"Books and Records" shall mean, with respect to Sellers, all documents, instruments, records and other written or electronic materials in whatever form or media (including all hard and electronic copies, CAD files and all discs, tapes and other media-storage data and materials containing such information, and including originals, if available) in the possession or control of Sellers in connection with, or relating to any Acquired Assets, any related Assumed Liabilities, or the operations of Sellers at any Acquired Property, or the operations of the shopping center in which such Acquired Property is located, including to the extent in Sellers' possession or control, all files, data, reports, surveys (ALTA and topographical), soil reports, title reports and title insurance policies (including copies of all underlying exception documents), physical inspection,

engineering and asbestos reports, environmental tests, inspections and reports, insurance reports, schematic plans, site plans and drawings, mailing lists, supplier lists, customer lists, price lists, financial projections, marketing information and procedures, copies of Tax Returns to the extent related to the Acquired Assets, advertising and promotional materials, equipment records, warranty information, architects and engineers agreements, architectural and engineering plans and specifications, construction contracts, drawings, plans and specifications, records of operations, manuals of operations or business procedures and other similar procedures, including all policies and procedures for the protection of individual and consumer privacy (including all CAD files and all discs, tapes and other media-storage data containing such information). Without limiting the foregoing, with respect to any Acquired Property, the term "Books and Records" shall include, to the extent in the possession or control of a Seller, (a) the original file for the applicable Acquired Property, including the applicable Acquired Lease and any other related Assigned Agreements, which includes originals of the following: the fully executed Acquired Lease and any other related Assigned Agreements, together with all Exhibits, Schedules and Addenda thereto, and all amendments, modifications and supplements thereto; letter agreements; correspondence; renewal notices; estoppel certificates issued by any Seller or the landlord under any applicable Acquired Lease; estoppel certificates issued by any party under any applicable easement, operation and easement agreement, reciprocal easement agreement, declaration of covenants, conditions and restrictions or similar documents with respect to an Acquired Property (each, an "OEA"); accounting records; gross sales records to the extent reporting of gross sales is required pursuant to each such Acquired Lease; audit files (whether generated internally or by a third party); surveys of the Acquired Lease Premises or the common areas of the shopping center in which such Acquired Property is located with respect to compliance with Law; any OEA and all amendments, modifications and supplements thereto; the applicable Sellers' title insurance policy, together with legible copies of all exception documents; any agreements confirming the commencement date or other relevant dates in the Acquired Lease; recorded copies of any memorandum of lease; and lease abstracts, and (b) keys to such Acquired Property, security codes for such Acquired Property or any of such Acquired Property's building systems, any keys or security codes for parking and other common areas of any shopping centers in which such Acquired Property is located and any other document or information in the possession or control of any Seller useful or necessary to operate a retail store from the Acquired Lease Premises. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the term "Books and Records" shall not include (i) personnel files with respect to any Seller employees who are not Transferred Employees, (ii) any information as to Seller employees that is prohibited by Law from being delivered by Sellers to Buyer (including (1) employee medical information protected by the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, as amended, the ADA, the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993, as amended, or the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008, as amended, (2) any Employment Eligibility Verification on Form I-9 and (3) any employee background reports), provided that Sellers shall inform Buyer of the general nature of the materials being withheld and, upon Buyer's request and at Buyer's sole cost and expense, reasonably cooperate with Buyer to provide such materials, in whole or in part, in a manner that would not result in the outcome described in this clause (ii), including by reasonably cooperating with Buyer to entering into additional agreements to the extent required to render the access to any personally identifiable information permissible under any applicable Law or contractual obligations, (iii) any non-disclosure or confidentiality, non-compete or

non-solicitation agreements other than contemplated by Section 2.1(k) and (iv) the Retained Books and Records.

"Business" shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"Business Day" shall mean any day of the year, other than a Saturday or Sunday, on which national banking institutions in New York, New York are open to the public for conducting business and are not required or authorized by Law to remain closed.

"Business Employees" shall mean each employee set forth on Schedule 1.1(a) that is primarily engaged in providing services in connection with, or in support of, the Business, including in any commercial or corporate function, as determined by Seller in good faith in consultation with Buyer, which Schedule 1.1(a) shall be provided to Buyer by Seller not later than ten (10) Business Days following the date of this Agreement.

"Business Names" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of Intellectual Property.

"Buyer" shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

"Buyer Assumption Notice" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5.2(a).

"Buyer Occupancy Costs" shall mean (i) with respect to the GOB Leased Stores, all Occupancy Expenses that are incurred or apportioned solely for the period commencing on the first calendar day following the GOB Period and ending at the expiration of the Designation Rights Period and (ii) with respect to the Operating Leased Property, all Occupancy Expenses that are incurred or apportioned solely for the period commencing on the Closing Date and ending at the expiration of the Designation Rights Period.

"Buyer Party Release" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.13.

"Buyer Rejection Notice" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5.3(a).

"Buyer Related Party" shall mean (i) Buyer, (ii) ESL, (iii) the Cyrus Related Parties and (iv) any Person who is currently or formerly was a director, officer, employee, stockholder, member, limited partner, general partner, controlling person, manager, representative, attorney, agent or successors of Buyer, ESL or any of the Cyrus Related Parties.

"Buyer's Savings Plan" has the meaning given in Section 9.7(k)(i).

"Casualty / Condemnation Event" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 12.3(a).

"Challenge" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of Final Order.

"Citi Card Agreement" shall mean the Second Amended and Restated Program Agreement, dated as of October 3, 2018, by and among Sears, Roebuck and Co., Sears Brands

Business Unit Corporation, the Other Sears Parties, and Citibank, N.A., as may be amended from time to time.

"Citi L/C Facility" shall mean that certain letters of credit facility granted pursuant to that certain Letter of Credit and Reimbursement Agreement, dated as of December 28, 2016 (as at any time amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified), by and among Sears Roebuck Acceptance Corp. and Kmart Corporation, as borrowers, SHC, Citibank N.A. as administrative agent, and the financial institutions party thereto from time to time.

"Claims" shall mean all rights to payment, whether or not such right is reduced to judgment, liquidated, unliquidated, fixed, contingent, matured, unmatured, disputed, undisputed, legal, equitable, secured, or unsecured; or rights to an equitable remedy for breach of performance if such breach gives rise to a right to payment, whether or not such right to an equitable remedy is reduced to judgment, fixed, contingent, matured, unmatured, disputed, undisputed, secured, or unsecured, in each case, of whatever kind or description against any Person.

"Closing" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.1.

"Closing Date" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.1.

"Closing Legal Impediment" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 10.4.

"Closing Payment Amount" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.1(a).

"Code" shall mean the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

"Commitment Letters" shall mean, collectively, the Cyrus Commitment Letter, the Debt Commitment Letter, the Real Estate Financing Commitment Letter and the Equity Commitment Letter.

"Competing Transaction" shall mean any direct or indirect financing, refinancing, acquisition, sale, divestiture (including by merger, acquisition or other business combination), public offering, recapitalization, business combination or reorganization, whether in one transaction or a series of related transactions, of or involving or implicating all or any material part of the Designation Rights, the Properties, the Leases, the Acquired Assets, the Assumed Liabilities or any Business (other than any such transaction or series of related transactions with Buyer or any Affiliate thereof) or any standalone plan of reorganization or liquidation for any Seller that does not contemplate the consummation of the Transactions.

"Compliant" shall mean, with respect to the written Required Information that has been or will be made available to Buyer by the Sellers or any of their respective representatives on their behalf in connection with the Transactions, that (i) such Sellers (or any Affiliate thereof) have determined that no restatement of any financial information included in the Required Information, when taken as a whole, does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact regarding the Sellers or omit to state any material fact regarding the Sellers necessary in order to

make such Required Information not materially misleading under the circumstances (after giving effect to all supplements and updates thereto from time to time) is necessary and that no such restatement is under consideration and (ii) the Sellers' auditors have not withdrawn any audit opinion with respect to any financial statements contained in the Required Information for which they have provided an opinion (unless, in the case of this clause (ii), a new audit opinion is issued with respect to the financial statements for the applicable periods by such auditors or any other independent public accounting firm of national standing or otherwise reasonably acceptable to Buyer).

"Confidential Information" shall mean, with respect to any Person, all information of a confidential or proprietary nature (whether or not specifically labeled or identified as "confidential"), in any form or medium, which relates to such Person or their respective business relations and its respective business activities. Confidential Information includes, but is not limited to, the following: (i) internal business information (including historical and projected financial information and budgets and information relating to strategic and staffing plans and practices, business, training, marketing, promotional and sales plans and practices, cost, rate and pricing structures and accounting and business methods); (ii) identities and individual requirements of, and specific contractual arrangements with, such Person's customers, clients, distributors, vendors, service providers, independent contractors, joint venture partners and other business relations and their confidential information; (iii) trade secrets; and (iv) other non-public Intellectual Property.

"Confidentiality Agreement" shall mean the Confidentiality Agreement, dated as of May 15, 2018, by and between ESL Investments, Inc. and SHC.

"Consent" shall mean any consent, approval, concession, grant, waiver, exemption, license, entitlement, suitability determination, franchise, development right, certificate, variance, registration, permit, Order or other authorization of or notice of any Person.

"Contract" shall mean any contract, agreement, undertaking, lease, sublease, license, sublicense, sales order, purchase order or other instrument or commitment, whether written or oral (including commitments to enter into any of such) that purports to be binding on any Person or any part of its property (or subjects any such assets or property to an Encumbrance).

"Controlling Person" shall mean ESL Investments, Inc., its Affiliates and their respective directors and officers.

"Copyrights" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of Intellectual Property.

"Cost Value" [shall mean with respect to each item of merchandise in a SKU, the lower of the (i) unit cost for each item of merchandise in each such SKU and (ii) the Retail Price, as

such amounts are calculated by Sellers in the normal course of business substantially in accordance with past practice prior to the Petition Date.]³

"CPA Firm" shall mean [•] or another national firm of independent public accountants as to which the Parties mutually agree.

"Credit Card Accounts Receivable" means each Account or Payment Intangible (each as defined in the UCC) together with all income, payments and proceeds thereof, owed by a credit card payment processor or an issuer of credit cards to a Seller resulting from charges by a customer of a Seller on credit cards processed by such processor or issued by such issuer in connection with the sale of goods by a Seller or services performed by a Seller, in each case in the ordinary course of its business.

"Credit Card Claims" means all claims arising from Seller's involvement as a class plaintiff in the class actions consolidated in the multi-district litigation In re Payment Card Interchange Fee and Merchant Discount Antitrust Litigation, No. 1:05-MD-01720 (E.D.N.Y.) against Visa Inc., Mastercard Inc., JPMorgan Chase & Co, Citigroup N.A., Bank of America N.A., and other defendants, alleging antitrust violations in relation to certain practices with respect to merchant processing fees and merchant processing agreements attributable to merchants that accepted Visa Inc. or Mastercard Inc. credit or debit cards beginning on January 1, 2004, and any proceeds thereof, including proceeds arising from any settlement with respect to the foregoing.

"Cure Costs" means all amounts payable in order to cure any monetary defaults required to be cured under section 365(b)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code or otherwise to effectuate, pursuant to the Bankruptcy Code, the assumption of the Assigned Agreements, whether as determined by the Bankruptcy Court or agreed to by the Buyer and the non-debtor counterparty to the applicable Assigned Agreement.

"Current Fiscal Year" shall mean, in relation to the Seller, the Seller's current fiscal beginning February 4, 2018.

"Customer Data" shall mean all data (including personal data and personally identifiable information) owned or controlled (meaning any data Sellers have the ability to transfer in compliance with applicable Law) by or on behalf of Sellers related to Sellers' customers, consumers or end users, including (i) customer, consumer and end user files and lists and contact information, (ii) purchasing, transaction and installation histories (namely, the product purchased, date of purchase, location of purchase, date of installation and whether a warranty was purchased), (iii) customer, consumer and end-user complaints and returns, (iv) customer, consumer or end user opt-outs, unsubscribe or opt-ins requests in relation to the use or processing of their information, (v) all analytics relating to any of the foregoing and other

³- Note to Sellers: As discussed, Cost Value definition to be revised to match SHC definition which tracks borrowing base definition.

customer-based analyses or reports and (vi) all loyalty program data and participation information (including all information and data with respect to Shop Your Way).

"Cyrus Commitment Letter" shall mean the commitment letter (including all annexes, exhibits, schedules and other attachments thereto) among Buyer, the Cyrus Lender, the Sponsor and Citibank, N.A., dated as of the date hereof, as amended, supplemented or replaced in compliance with the terms hereof and thereof.

"Cyrus Financing" shall mean the debt financing incurred or intended to be incurred pursuant to the Cyrus Commitment Letter, including the borrowing of loans contemplated by the Cyrus Commitment Letter.

"Cyrus Lender" shall mean Cyrus Capital Partners, L.P.

"Cyrus Related Parties" shall mean the Cyrus Lender, its Affiliates and any of their respective directors, officers, or employees, in such capacities and in their individual capacities.

"<u>Debt Commitment Letters</u>" shall mean, collectively, the ABL Commitment Letter, the Cyrus Commitment Letter and the Real Estate Financing Commitment Letter.

"Debt Financing" shall mean, collectively, the ABL Financing, the Cyrus Financing and the Real Estate Financing.

"Debt Financing Documents" means the agreements, documents and certificates contemplated by the Debt Financing, including (a) all credit agreements, loan documents, debentures, notes, pledge and security documents, guarantees, mortgages, intercreditor agreements and other related documents pursuant to which the Debt Financing will be governed or contemplated by the Debt Commitment Letters and (b) officer, secretary, solvency, closing and perfection certificates, legal opinions, corporate organizational documents, good standing certificates, Lien searches, and resolutions contemplated by the Debt Commitment Letters or requested by the Financing Sources.

"Deposit Amount" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.2.

"Designatable Lease" shall mean each of (i) the GOB Leased Stores and the Operating Leased Properties and (ii) to the extent applicable to such leases and lease agreements, all non-disturbance agreements with fee owners or senior landlords, subordination, non-disturbance and attornment agreements, waivers and consents in favor of any Seller, estoppel certificates from landlords under any of the Leases (to the extent assignable), and landlord waivers or other collateral access agreements in favor of any Seller or any asset-based lenders.

"Designated Sale Transaction" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.12(b).

"<u>Designated Tax Advisor</u>" shall mean Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP, or Deloitte [Tax] LLP, as decided in the Sellers' discretion, or if neither of the foregoing is able to deliver a Tax Opinion, Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP.

"Designation Assignment Date" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5.2(d).

"Designation Deadline" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.9.

"Designation Rights" shall mean the exclusive right to irrevocably select, identify and designate each Designatable Lease in respect of which Assignee will acquire all of Sellers' right, title and interest in and to the applicable Designatable Lease, together with all of Sellers' right, title and interest in and to certain assets related to such Designatable Lease, to the extent, but only to the extent, set forth in Article II, all in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

"Designation Rights Period" shall mean, with respect to each Designatable Lease, the period commencing on the Closing Date and ending on the earliest of (i) five (5) Business Days after delivery of the applicable Buyer Rejection Notice, (ii) the date on which an applicable agreement is assumed and assigned to an Assignee, (iii) the date which is sixty (60) days after the Closing Date and (iv) May 3, 2019.

"DieHard Business" shall have the meaning set forth in 9.14(b).

"DieHard Marks" shall mean the name "DIEHARD" and any name consisting of, containing or incorporating "DIEHARD", and all designs and logos associated therewith in each case, together with all variations thereof; and all Trademarks, Business Names, Domain Names and Media Accounts consisting of, containing or incorporating any of the foregoing.

"<u>DIP Credit Agreement</u>" means that certain Superpriority Senior Secured Debtor-in-Possession Asset Based Credit Agreement, dated as of November 29, 2018, among SHC, as holdings, Sears Roebuck Acceptance Corp. and Kmart Corporation, as borrowers, Bank of America, N.A., in its capacity as administrative agent and co-collateral agent, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, in its capacity as co-collateral agent, and the lenders named therein, as in effect on the date hereof [Docket No. 955-1].

"Distribution Requirement" shall mean the requirement that each Seller (except if and to the extent (x) Buyer elects, in accordance with this Agreement, that the transactions set forth in this Agreement with respect to such Seller shall not be treated as a Tax Reorganization, or (y) if requested by such Seller, Designated Tax Advisor is unable to deliver a Tax Opinion that the transactions set forth in this Agreement with respect to such Seller may be treated as a Tax Reorganization) (i) shall distribute the Securities Consideration received by it to Persons qualifying as holders of "securities" of such Seller for purposes of section 354 of the Code, (ii) shall distribute all of the cash received pursuant to Section 3.1(a), as well as all of its other property pursuant to the Bankruptcy Plan, (iii) shall dissolve no later than the end of the third taxable year ending after the Closing Date, and (iv) during the period between the Closing Date and its dissolution, shall limit its activities to those which are merely for the purpose of liquidating its assets (which may include maintaining a going operation for the preservation of value, pending distribution or sale), winding up its affairs, resolving and paying its debts, and

distributing any remaining assets (which may include a distribution to a non-corporate liquidating vehicle).

"<u>Domain Names</u>" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of Intellectual Property.

"Effect" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of "Material Adverse Effect."

"Effective Date" shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

"Employee Plan" shall mean each "employee benefit plan" (as such term is defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA), whether or not subject to ERISA, and each other employee benefit plan, program, policy, or arrangement (including each stock purchase, stock option, restricted stock or other equity-based, severance, retention, change-of-control, bonus, deferred compensation, fringe benefit and other similar benefit plan, program, policy, or arrangement), in each case, that provides any kind of compensation or benefits to Business Employees or former employees of the Business or their dependents or beneficiaries or with respect to which Seller would reasonably be expected to have any Liability in respect of the Business Employees.

"Employment Laws" shall mean all Laws (including the WARN Act), now or at the applicable time in effect and regulating, respecting, concerning or relating directly or indirectly to employees, independent contractors, labor relations, workers' compensation, unemployment compensation, foreign workers employed in the United States, wages and hours, safety, compensation, worker classification or other workplace or employment standards or practices.

"Encumbrance" shall mean all mortgages, pledges, hypothecations, charges, liens, interests, debentures, trust deeds, claims and encumbrances of any type whatsoever (whether known or unknown, secured or unsecured or in the nature of setoff or recoupment, choate or inchoate, filed or unfiled, scheduled or unscheduled, noticed or unnoticed, recorded or unrecorded, perfected or unperfected, allowed or disallowed, contingent or non-contingent, liquidated or unliquidated, matured or unmatured, material or nonmaterial, disputed or undisputed, whether arising prior to or subsequent to the commencement of the Bankruptcy Cases, and whether imposed by agreement, understanding, Law, equity, or otherwise), including Claims, assignments by way of security or otherwise, security agreements and interests, conditional sales contracts or other title retention agreements, rights of first refusal, first negotiation or first offer, options to purchase or similar restrictions or obligations, instruments creating a security interest in the Acquired Assets or any part thereof or interest therein, and any agreements, leases, subleases, licenses, occupancy agreements, options, easements, rights of way, covenants, conditions, restrictions, declarations, defects in title, encroachments, exceptions or other encumbrances adversely affecting title to the Acquired Assets or any part thereof or interest therein.

"Environmental Laws" shall mean all applicable Laws relating to pollution or protection of human health or safety (to the extent related to exposure to Hazardous Substances) or the environment (including ambient air, water, surface water, groundwater, land surface, soil or subsurface) or natural resources, including applicable Laws relating to the generation, storage,

transfer, transportation, investigation, cleanup, treatment, remediation, or use of, or release or threatened release into the environment of, any Hazardous Substances.

"Environmental Permits" shall mean all licenses, permits, variances, consents or certificates issued pursuant to Environmental Laws.

"Equipment" shall mean all machinery, equipment, appliances, supplies, furniture, fixtures, janitorial and cleaning equipment, partitions, desks, chairs, tables, telephone lines, cubicles, point-of-sale systems, graphics, branding, signs and signage (including any signs and signage on any buildings, pylons or monuments and any directional or other ground or off-premises signs and signage). For the avoidance of doubt, Improvements do not constitute Equipment.

"Equity Commitment Letter" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.4(a).

"Equity Financing" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.4(a).

"ERISA" shall mean the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended, and all Laws issued thereunder.

"ERISA Affiliate" shall mean, with respect to any entity, trade or business, any other entity, trade or business that is, or was at the relevant time, a member of a group described in Section 414(b), (c), (m) or (o) of the Code or Section 4001(b)(1) of ERISA that includes or included the first entity, trade or business, or that is, or was at the relevant time, a member of the same "controlled group" as the first entity, trade or business pursuant to Section 4001(a)(14) of ERISA.

"ESL" shall mean ESL Investments, Inc., JPP, LLC, JPP II, LLC, Eddie S. Lampert and any of their respective directors, officers, or employees, in such capacities and in their individual capacities.

"Excluded Assets" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.2.

"Excluded Asset-Reorganization Taxes" shall mean any and all (i) Taxes imposed on or with respect to the Excluded Assets or the Excluded Liabilities for any taxable period, other than any Tax to the extent such Tax would have been reduced or eliminated had the Sellers' Tax attributes not transferred to Buyer (taking into account Tax attributes Sellers would have had if all transactions described in Article II were Designated Sale Transactions and respected as such by the Internal Revenue Service), (ii) Taxes imposed on or with respect to the Acquired Assets, the Acquired Properties, the Business or the Assumed Liabilities for any Pre-Assignment Tax Period (for the avoidance of doubt, other than amounts payable by Buyer under Section 5.1(b)), other than any Tax to the extent such Tax would have been reduced or eliminated had the Sellers' Tax attributes not transferred to Buyer (taking into account Tax attributes Sellers would have had if all transactions described in Article II were Designated Sale Transactions and respected as such by the Internal Revenue Service), (iii) Liabilities of Buyer or any of its Affiliates for Taxes described in clause (i) or (ii) hereof of any Sellers or their Affiliates as a

transferee or successor, by contract, operation of law or otherwise, other than as part of any agreement entered into in the Ordinary Course of Business the primary purpose of which is not related to Tax and (iv) Taxes imposed on any earnings on the investment of the cash received pursuant to Section 3.1(a) pending its distribution pursuant to the Bankruptcy Plan.

"Excluded Asset-Sale Taxes" shall mean any and all (i) Taxes imposed on or payable by any Sellers or their Affiliates for any taxable period (whether starting or ending before or after the Closing Date) or with respect to any of the Acquired Assets, the Acquired Properties the Business or the Assumed Liabilities, other than amounts payable by Buyer under Section 5.1(b), and (ii) Liabilities of Buyer or any of its Affiliates for Taxes of any Sellers or their Affiliates as a transferee or successor, by contract, operation of law or otherwise, other than as part of any agreement entered into in the Ordinary Course of Business the primary purpose of which is not related to Tax. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, "Excluded Asset-Sale Taxes" shall not include any Excluded Asset-Reorganization Taxes.

"Excluded Equipment" shall mean all Equipment other than the Acquired Equipment.

"Excluded Improvements" shall mean all Improvements other than the Acquired Improvements.

"Excluded Inventory" shall mean (i) all Inventory other than the Acquired Inventory and (ii) all Inventory held by Sellers which is located at any site which is not a Property.

"Excluded IT" shall mean the Equipment and other assets set forth on Schedule 1.1(c).

"Excluded Liabilities" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.4.

"Exclusive License" shall mean the license agreement by and between KCD IP, LLC and Buyer as described in Section 9.14(b).

"Existing Financing Arrangements" shall mean the Citi L/C Facility, the DIP Credit Agreement, the FILO Facility, the IP/Ground Lease Term Loan Facility, the Junior DIP Term Loan Agreement, the Real Estate Loan 2020, the Second Lien Line of Credit Facility, the Second Lien Term Loan, the Second Lien PIK Notes and the Third Amended and Restated Credit Agreement.

"Expenses" shall mean (i) the Buyer Occupancy Costs, if applicable, and (ii) the reasonable and documented out-of-pocket fees, costs and expenses or other disbursements borne by any Seller or its Affiliates incurred or accruing (a) during the Designation Rights Period, to the extent Related to anthe Operating Leases or Operating Leased PropertyStore, (b) to the extent Related to the GOB Leases or GOB Leased Stores incurred or accruing following the GOB Period for each such GOB Lease or GOB Leased Store, (c) after the Closing, to the extent related to an Additional Contract or any Operating Lease or Operating Leased Store or (ed) as a result of Sellers being the tenant under the Designatable Lease or Additional Contract during, with respect to the GOB Leased Stores, the period commencing after the GOB Period for each such GOB Leased Store and ending at the expiration of the Designation Rights Period, and with

respect to any Operating Leased Property, during the Designation Rights Period, and any reasonable and documented fees, costs and expenses incurred by any Seller or its Affiliates in connection with any transfer of a Designatable Lease to Purchaser following the Designation Rights Period, but in each case shall not, for the avoidance of doubt, include rejection damages or Cure Costs.

"Filing" shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"FILO Facility" shall mean the first-in, last-out tranche of debt under the Third Amended and Restated Credit Agreement (as amended by (i) that certain Fifth Amendment to Third Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of March 21, 2018, by and between, inter alios, Sears Roebuck Acceptance Corp. and Kmart Corporation, as borrowers, SHC, Bank of America, N.A., as administrative agent, co-collateral agent and lender, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as co-collateral agent and lender, and PNC Bank, National Association, Citibank N.A., Citizen Business Capital, and Regions Bank, as revolving lenders and (ii) that certain Sixth Amendment to Third Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of March 21, 2018, by and between, inter alios, Sears Roebuck Acceptance Corp. and Kmart Corporation, as borrowers, SHC, Bank of America, N.A., as administrative agent and co-collateral agent, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as co-collateral agent, and Benefit Street 2018 LLC, JPP LLC and JPP II LLC as lenders).

"Final Order" shall mean an action taken or order issued by the applicable Governmental Authority (i) as to which no appeal, notice of appeal, motion to amend or make additional findings of fact, motion to alter or amend judgment, motion for rehearing or motion for new trial, request for stay, motion or petition for reconsideration, application or request for review, or other similar motion, application, notice or request (collectively, a "Challenge") has been timely filed, or, if any of the foregoing has been timely filed, it has been disposed of in a manner that upholds and affirms the subject order in all respects without the possibility for further Challenge thereon and (ii) as to which the time for instituting or filing a Challenge shall have expired.

"Financing" shall mean, collectively, the Debt Financing and the Equity Financing.

"Financing Sources" shall mean, with respect to (x) the Real Estate Financing, the Cyrus Lender and the Sponsor, (y) the Cyrus Financing, the Cyrus Lender, the Sponsor and Citibank, N.A. and (z) the ABL Financing, the Persons that have directly or indirectly committed to provide or otherwise entered into agreements in connection with the ABL Financing in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby pursuant to the ABL Commitment Letter, including the agents, arrangers and lenders party to the ABL Commitment Letter and/or the Debt Financing Documents relating to the ABL Financing, together with any of their respective Affiliates and their respective Affiliates' former, current or future officers, directors, employees, agents and representatives, direct or indirect shareholders or equity holders, managers, members and their respective successors and assigns, in each case in their capacities as such.

"Foreign Subsidiary" shall mean any Subsidiary of any Seller incorporated under any jurisdiction other than the United States of America and its territories, other than Sears RE.

"FTC" shall mean the Federal Trade Commission.

"GAAP" shall mean U.S. generally accepted accounting principles in effect from time to time.

"GOB Leaseds Stores" shall mean each of (i) those leases or lease agreements (including ground leases) related to the real properties identified on Schedule 1.1[•] (together with all amendments, modifications, supplements and renewals thereof), and (ii) to the extent applicable to such leases and lease agreements, all non-disturbance agreements with fee owners or senior landlords, subordination, non-disturbance and attornment agreements, waivers and consents in favor of any Seller, estoppel certificates from landlords under any of the Leases (to the extent assignable), and landlord waivers or other collateral access agreements in favor of any Seller or any asset-based lenders.⁴

"GOB Leased Store" shall mean the real property demised pursuant to a GOB Lease.

"GOB Owned Stores" shall mean the real property described in Schedule 1.1[•], including, in each case, all of the right, title and interest of Seller and its Subsidiaries to all Improvements located thereon and all easements and other rights and interests appurtenant thereto and any associated rights to parking.

"GOB Period" shall mean with respect to each GOB Leased Store, the period commencing on the Closing Date and ending on the date that Seller delivers written notice to Buyer that the "going-out-of-business" sale with respect to such GOB Leased Store has been completed and all inventory of Sellers has been removed from such GOB Leased Store. For the avoidance of doubt, Sellers may deliver any such notice on or prior to the Closing Date.

"GOB Stores" shall mean, individually or collectively as the context may require, the GOB Leased Stores and the GOB Owned Stores.

"Governmental Authority" shall mean any United States federal, state, municipal or local or any foreign government, governmental agency or authority, or regulatory or administrative authority, or any court, tribunal or judicial body having jurisdiction, including the Bankruptcy Court.

"Hazardous Substances" shall mean any material, substance or waste (solid, liquid, gaseous or combination thereof) defined, characterized or regulated as "hazardous," "toxic," "explosive," a "pollutant" or a "contaminant" under Environmental Laws, including asbestos or any substance containing asbestos, formaldehyde, polychlorinated biphenyls, lead paint and petroleum or petroleum products (including crude oil and any fraction thereof), and by-products of any or all of the foregoing.

⁴ To include list of leased stores that are in GOB mode.

⁵ To include list of owned stores that are in GOB mode.

"HSR Act" shall mean the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, as amended, and the relevant rules and regulations thereunder.

"HSR Filing" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 8.3(b).

"Improvements" shall mean all building systems (including HVAC, electrical, plumbing, mechanical, vertical transportation and other similar systems), leasehold alterations, improvements, structures, buildings, fixtures and equipment which are affixed to and constitute a part of any applicable real property. For the avoidance of doubt, Inventory are not Improvements.

"Inbound IP License" shall mean any Contract pursuant to which any Seller is granted any license, covenant not to sue or other rights to use any (i) Intellectual Property or (ii) data (including personal data and personally identifiable information); provided, however, that the term "Inbound IP License" shall not include any Outbound IP License.

"Initial Assigned Agreements" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.7(b).

"Initial Assigned Contract" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.7(b).

"Initial Assigned Lease" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.7(b).

"Intellectual Property" shall mean all intellectual property and other similar proprietary rights, anywhere in the world, whether registered or unregistered, including all rights in and to (i) all trademarks, service marks, logos, trade dress and other source identifiers and commercial indicia of origin, and all registrations and applications therefor, in each case together with the goodwill of the businesses in which the foregoing are used and all goodwill connected with the use of and symbolized by the foregoing (collectively the "Trademarks"), (ii) all trade names, fictitious business names, corporate names and d/b/a names, together with the goodwill of the businesses in which the foregoing are used and all goodwill connected with the use of and symbolized by the foregoing (collectively the "Business Names"), (iii) all domain names, URLs and IP addresses (collectively, such domain names and websites, the "Domain Names"), (iv) any social media accounts, identifiers and handles (collectively the "Media Accounts"), (v) trade secrets, know-how and confidential information, including proprietary rights in and to processes, methods, formulae, marketing and technical information, blueprints, quality assurance and control procedures, design tools and simulation capabilities (collectively, the "Know-How"), (vi) all patents and patent applications (including provisionals, continuations, divisionals, continuations-in-part, renewals, reissues, re-examinations, substitutions and extensions thereof), inventions and inventions disclosures (whether or not patentable)(collectively the "Patents"), (vii) all copyrights and registrations and applications therefor and works of authorship, moral rights, designs and mask work rights (collectively the "Copyrights"), (viii) all database rights and (ix) computer programs and applications and any other software (regardless of the stage of development or completion), including libraries, subroutines, protocols, toolsets, compilers, schematics, plugins, APIs and other components thereof, whether in source code, object code or other form, computerized databases and other computerized compilations and collections of data or information, user interfaces, command structures, report formats, templates, menus, buttons

and icons, in each case, relating to computer programs or other software, and descriptions, flow charts, architectures, development tools and other materials used to design, plan, organize and develop any of the foregoing; and all related specifications and documentation (collectively, the "Software").

"Intellectual Property Related Documentation" shall mean each of the following to the extent existing as of the Closing Date and in Sellers' possession or control as of the Closing Date: (i) all correct and complete physical and electronic copies of all prosecution files and dockets, registration certificates, litigation files and related opinions of counsel and correspondence relating thereto for all issued, registered and applied-for items of Acquired Intellectual Property, (ii) all litigation files to the extent relating to Actions brought for the infringement, dilution, misappropriation or other violation of the Acquired Intellectual Property, (iii) all books, records, files, ledgers or similar documentation in Sellers' possession used to track, organize or maintain any of the Acquired Intellectual Property, (iv) a list of outstanding maintenance, renewal and prosecution deadlines with respect to the applied-for, registered or issued Acquired Intellectual Property that fall within ninety (90) days following the Closing Date and (v) copies of acquisitions agreements relating to acquisitions of the Acquired Intellectual Property.

"Intellectual Property Security Agreement" shall mean that certain Intellectual Property Security Agreement, dated January 4, 2018 (at any time amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified), by and among SHC, Sears Roebuck Acceptance Corp. and Kmart Corporation, as Borrowers, and the other guarantors party thereto, and the lenders named therein, in favor of JPP, LLC, as Agent.

"Intercompany IP Agreements" shall mean any Contract under which a Seller or an Affiliate of a Seller licenses or grants any license, covenant not to sue or other rights under any of the Acquired Intellectual Property to any other Seller(s) or Affiliate(s) of any Seller.

"Inventory" [shall mean all-goods, other than farm products, reflected in the stock ledger of the Debtors as of any date of the determination thereof, which (iA) are leased by a person as lessor, (iB) are held by a person for sale or lease or to be furnished under a contract of service, (iiC) are furnished by a person under a contract of service; or (ivD) consist of raw materials, work in process, or materials used or consumed in the Bbusiness.]⁶³

"Inventory Date" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.4(a).

"Inventory Purchase Price" shall mean an amount equal to \$1,320,050,000.

"Inventory Taker" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.4(a).

⁶³_Note to Sellers: As discussed, inventory definition to be Draft: Under Buyer revised w to match SHC definition which tracks borrowing base definition.

"Inventory Value" [shall mean, with respect to any Inventory of the Debtors, the value of such Inventory valued at the lower of cost or market value on a basis consistent with the Debtors' current and historical accounting practice in effect on the date hereof, per the stock ledger (without giving effect to LIFO reserves and general ledger reserves for discontinued inventory, markdowns, intercompany profit, rebates and discounts, any cut off adjustments, revaluation adjustments, purchase price adjustments or adjustments with respect to the capitalization of buying, occupancy, distribution and other overhead costs reflected on the balance sheet of the Debtors in respect of Inventory).]⁴

"IP/Ground Lease Buyout Amount" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.1(c).

"IP/Ground Lease Property" shall mean the properties that are collateral under the IP/Ground Lease Term Loan Facility, as set forth on Schedule 1.1(d).

"IP/Ground Lease Term Loan Facility" shall mean the loan facility granted pursuant to that certain Term Loan Credit Agreement, dated as of January 4, 2018 (at any time amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified), by and between SHC, as holdings, Sears Roebuck Acceptance Corp. and Kmart Corporation, as borrowers, the guarantors party thereto from time to time, JPP LLC as agent, and JPP LLC, JPP II LLC, Cyrus Opportunities Master Fund II, Ltd., CRS Master Fund, L.P., Crescent 1, L.P., Canary SC Master Fund, L.P., Cyrus Select Opportunities Master Fund, Ltd., Cyrus Special Strategies Master Fund, LP, and Cyrus 1740 Master Funds, LP, as lenders.

"<u>IP Assignment Agreement</u>" shall mean the agreement substantially in the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit B</u>, to be entered into by and between Sellers, on the one hand, and Buyer or its applicable Affiliates, on the other hand.

"IP License" shall mean each Inbound IP License and each Outbound IP License, and any agreement that constitutes an "IP License" as defined in the Intellectual Property Security Agreement, in each case, for the avoidance of doubt, including the KCD Agreements.

"IP Powers of Attorney" shall mean documents appointing attorneys for Buyer or Buyer's designees with full power to execute documents and take all other steps solely in connection with (i) effectuating and implementing the assignment of the Acquired Intellectual Property, (ii) perfecting Buyer's right, title and interest in, to and under the Acquired Intellectual Property pursuant to such assignment and (iii) as otherwise necessary for related bona fide purposes, in each of cases (i) through (iii) in the intellectual property offices of various jurisdictions around the world, at or after the Closing, including, (A) with respect to the applied-for, issued or registered United States Intellectual Property, the power of attorney substantially as set forth in the form at Exhibit C and (B) with respect to any Intellectual Property included in the Acquired Intellectual Property that is issued, filed or registered in a jurisdiction outside of the United

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States, powers of attorney suitable for recording in each such jurisdiction with terms and conditions substantially similar to those set forth in Exhibit C, except for any different terms and conditions that would be necessary in a recordable power of attorney for the respective local jurisdiction.

"IT Systems" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6.10(e).

"Junior DIP Consideration" shall mean evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Sellers that all obligations (including any accrued and unpaid interest) of the Sellers with respect to the Junior DIP Conversion Amount have been satisfied and released.

"Junior DIP Conversion Amount" [shall mean the principal amount of debt under the Junior DIP Term Loan Agreement held by Cyrus Lender and (ii) \$230,000,000.]⁷

"Junior DIP Term Loan Agreement" shall mean that certain Superpriority Junior Lien Secured Debtor-in-Possession Credit Agreement dated as of November 29, 2018 by and among SHC, as holdings, Sears Roebuck Acceptance Corp. and Kmart Corporation, as borrowers, the several banks, financial institutions or other entities from time to time party thereto as Term Lenders thereunder and Cantor Fitzgerald Securities as administrative agent and collateral agent as filed with the Bankruptcy Court [Docket No. 951-2].

"KCD Agreements" shall mean all IP Licenses under which KCD IP, LLC or a Seller grants any license, sublicense, covenant not to sue or other rights under any KCD IP to any Seller prior to the Closing.

"KCD IP" shall mean any Intellectual Property owned by KCD IP, LLC as of the date hereof or as of the Closing.

"KCD Notes" shall mean the 6.90% KCD IP, LLC Asset-Backed Notes issued pursuant to the Indenture dated as of May 18, 2006, by KCD IP, LLC as Issuer and U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee.

"Kenmore Business" shall have the meaning set forth in 9.14(b).

"Kenmore Marks" shall mean the name "KENMORE" and any name consisting of, containing or incorporating "KENMORE", and all designs and logos associated therewith, in each case, together with all variations thereof; and all Trademarks, Business Names, Domain Names and Media Accounts consisting of, containing or incorporating any of the foregoing.

"Kenmore/DieHard Business" shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

⁷ Note to Seller: Acceptance of Seller proposal is subject to addition of new condition regarding maximum Junior DIP amount outstanding.

"Kmart Marks" shall mean the name "KMART" and any name consisting of, containing or incorporating "KMART", and all designs and logos associated therewith, in each case, together with all variations thereof; and all Trademarks, Business Names, Domain Names and Media Accounts consisting of, containing or incorporating any of the foregoing.

"Knowledge" shall mean, with respect to any matter in question, in the case of Sellers, the knowledge after reasonable inquiry of the individuals set forth on Schedule 1.1(e) with respect to such matter.

"Know-How" shall have the definition set forth in the definition of Intellectual Property.

"L/C Facility Consideration" shall mean evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Sellers that all obligations of Sellers with respect to amounts outstanding or commitments under the Citi L/C Facility (but in no event with respect to a principal amount of greater than \$271 million) have been satisfied and released, including as contemplated by the Cyrus Financing.

"<u>Labeling and Marketing Materials</u>" shall mean all product labeling, product advertising, marketing and promotional materials, training materials and other similar materials, in each case created or developed by or on behalf of a Seller.

"Law" shall mean any foreign or domestic law, statute, code, ordinance, rule, regulation, order, decision, judgment, writ, stipulation, award, injunction or decree by any Governmental Authority, including all Environmental Laws and the Americans with Disabilities Act, as amended ("ADA"), together with all final and unappealable awards or decisions by an arbitrator or arbitration panel ("Arbitrator") by which Sellers or any of the Properties, Leases or Acquired Assets is bound.

"<u>Leases</u>" shall mean collectively (i) the Initial Assigned Leases, and (ii) the Designatable Leases.

"<u>Lease Premises</u>" shall mean each of the Sellers' or its Subsidiaries' leased real properties that is an Initial Assigned Lease or a Designatable Lease.

"Liability" shall mean any liability, indebtedness, debt, guaranty, claim, demand, loss, damage, deficiency, assessment, responsibility, Claim, Action, proceeding or obligation of whatever kind or nature (whether known or unknown, whether asserted or unasserted, whether absolute or contingent, whether accrued or unaccrued, whether liquidated or unliquidated, whether due or to become due, whether determined or determinable, whether choate or inchoate, whether secured or unsecured, whether matured or not yet matured) and including all costs, fees and expenses relating thereto.

"<u>Lien</u>" means any claim, mortgage, option, pledge, lien, encumbrance, title defect, preemptive right, restriction on transfer or other restriction of any kind (other than restrictions on transfer created under applicable securities laws, charge or other security interest).

"Management and Services Agreement" shall mean that certain Management and Services Agreement between Buyer and SHC, to be dated as of the Closing Date, in substantially the form attached as Exhibit G hereto.

"Marketing Period" means the first period of [fifteen (15)] consecutive Business Days after the date of this Agreement and throughout each day of which (x) Buyer shall have all of the Required Information and such Required Information is Compliant and (y) nothing has occurred and no condition exists that would cause any of the conditions set forth in Article X and Article XI to fail to be satisfied on or prior to the Closing Date; provided that January 21, 2019 shall be considered a Business Day for the purposes of calculating such [fifteen (15)] Business Day period. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Marketing Period shall not commence and shall be deemed not to have commenced if, on or prior to the completion of such [fifteen (15)] consecutive Business Day period, (i) Sellers (or any Affiliate thereof) have determined that a restatement of any financial information included in the Required Information is necessary or that such restatement is under consideration, in which case the Marketing Period shall be deemed not to commence unless and until any such restatement has been completed and the applicable Required Information has been amended or Sellers (or any Affiliate thereof) have determined that no restatement shall be required, or (ii) any Required Information would not be Compliant during such [fifteen (15)] Business Day period. Notwithstanding the provisions of this paragraph, the Marketing Period shall end on any earlier date on which the Debt Financing is consummated; provided, that if Sellers in good faith reasonably believe that they have delivered the Required Information that is Compliant to Buyer, they may deliver to Buyer a written notice to that effect (stating when they believe they completed such delivery), in which case such Required Information shall be deemed to have been delivered on the date specified in that notice, unless Buyer in good faith reasonably believes that Sellers have not completed delivery of the Required Information or that the Required Information is not Compliant and, within two (2) Business Days after receipt of such notice from Sellers, Buyer delivers a written notice to Sellers to that effect and stating with specificity which Required Information Sellers have not delivered or the reason for which the Required Information is not Compliant, in which case, the Marketing Period shall commence upon delivery to Buyer of such specified information.

"Material Casualty / Condemnation Event" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 12.3(a).

"Material Adverse Effect" shall mean any effect, change, condition, circumstance, development or event (any of the foregoing, an "Effect") that, individually or in the aggregate with all other Effects has had, or would reasonably be expected to have, a material adverse effect on (A) the assets, liabilities, properties, business or condition (financial or otherwise) of the Designation Rights, Acquired Assets and Assumed Liabilities taken as a whole, or (B) Sellers' ability to consummate the Transactions pursuant to the terms hereof, in each case excluding any Effect that results from or arises out of: (i) the execution and delivery of this Agreement or the announcement thereof or the pendency or consummation of the Transactions; (ii) any change in the United States or foreign economies or securities or financial markets generally; (iii) any change arising in connection with natural disasters, earthquakes, fire, flood, hurricane, tornado or other weather event, geopolitical conditions or any outbreak or escalation of hostilities or acts of

terrorism or war, military actions or any escalation or material worsening of any such hostilities or acts of terrorism or war, military actions existing or underway as of the date hereof; (iv) any effect, change or event that is otherwise generally applicable to the industries and markets in which Sellers operate; (v) changes in (or proposals to change) Laws or accounting regulations or principles; (vi) any action expressly contemplated by this Agreement; (vii) compliance with the terms of this Agreement; or (viii) the Bankruptcy Cases and reasonably anticipated Effects thereof on the Business, the Acquired Assets or the Designation Rights; provided, however, that in the case of the foregoing clauses (ii), (iii), (iv) or (v), any such Effect shall not be deemed to be excluded solely to the extent it has a materially disproportionate adverse effect on the assets, liabilities, properties, business or condition of the Sellers, taken as a whole, compared to other Persons similarly situated in the same industry.

"Material Casualty / Condemnation Event" shall have the meaning set forth in Section $\overline{12.3(a)}$.

"Material Contracts" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6.11(a).

"Media Accounts" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of Intellectual Property.

"Multiemployer Plan" shall mean a "multiemployer plan" within the meaning of Section 3(37) or 4001(a)(3) of ERISA.

"Non-Recourse Parties" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 13.12.

"Non-Represented Employees" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.7(a).

"Occupancy Agreement" shall mean that certain Occupancy Agreement in the form attached hereto as Exhibit D.

"Occupancy Expenses" shall mean, with respect to any Lease Premises, all liquidated costs, expenses, obligations and liabilities under or in connection with the applicable Lease payable or paid by any Seller, including any and all mortgage payments, base rent, percentage rent, additional rent, CAM, utilities, Property Taxes and assessments, costs of continuing the level of maintenance and security required by this Agreement, a pro rata portion of insurance (including public liability and casualty insurance) attributable to such Lease or Lease Premises and all other categories of expenses, obligations and liabilities arising or accruing under or in connection with such Lease (whether or not billed by the applicable counterparty to such Lease). For the avoidance of doubt, Occupancy Expenses shall not include any Seller's costs and expenses of (a) any professionals retained in connection with the Bankruptcy Cases or (b) counsel of any kind except to the extent counsel is retained with respect to a Lease or Owned Real Property and not Sellers' other operations.

"OEA" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of Books and Records.

"Operating Leaseds Property" shall mean each of (i) those leases or lease agreements (including ground leases) related to the real properties identified on Schedule 1.1 [•] (together with all amendments, modifications, supplements and renewals thereof), and (ii) to the extent applicable to such leases and lease agreements, all non-disturbance agreements with fee owners or senior landlords, subordination, non-disturbance and attornment agreements, waivers and consents in favor of any Seller, estoppel certificates from landlords under any of the Leases (to the extent assignable), and landlord waivers or other collateral access agreements in favor of any Seller or any asset-based lenders.

"Operating Leased Property" shall mean the real property demised pursuant to an Operating Lease.

"Operating Owned Property" shall mean the real property described in Schedule 1.1[•], including, in each case, all of the right, title and interest of Seller and its Subsidiaries to all Improvements located thereon and all easements and other rights and interests appurtenant thereto and any associated rights to parking.

"Order" shall mean any award, writ, injunction, judgment, order, decree, attachment, stay, stipulation, certification, determination, decision, verdict, ruling, subpoena, or award issued or entered by or with any Governmental Authority or Arbitrator (whether temporary, preliminary or permanent).

"Ordered Inventory" shall mean Inventory (other than Prepaid Inventory) of the type set forth on Schedule 1.1(f) that has been ordered by Sellers prior to the Closing Date but as to which Sellers have not taken title or delivery prior to the Closing Date.

"Ordered Inventory Shortfall Amount" shall mean an amount equal to \$166,000,000 less the amount of the Ordered Inventory as of the Closing Date.

"Ordinary Course of Business" shall mean the operation of the Business in the ordinary and usual course consistent with past practice as well as (and subject to) the Filing and all Orders entered in connection therewith.

"Other Payables" shall mean the accounts payable set forth on Schedule 1.1(g).

"Outbound IP License" shall mean any Contract pursuant to which any Seller has granted any license, covenant not to use or other rights under any (i) Acquired Intellectual Property or (ii) Acquired Data, in each case, whether or not, pursuant to such Contract, any Seller was granted any license, covenant not to sue or other rights to use any (A) Intellectual Property or (B) data (including personal data and personally identifiable information).

"Outside Date" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 12.1(a)(ii).

"Owned Real Property" shall mean (i) the GOB Owned Stores and (ii) the Operating Owned Properties.

"PA Liabilities" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.3(e).

"PartsDirect Marks" shall mean the name "PARTSDIRECT" and any name consisting of, containing or incorporating "PARTSDIRECT", and all designs and logos associated therewith, in each case, together with all variations thereof; and all Trademarks, Business Names, Domain Names and Media Accounts consisting of, containing or incorporating any of the foregoing.

"Party" or "Parties" shall mean, individually or collectively, Buyer and Sellers.

"Patents" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of Intellectual Property.

"Payoff Letters" shall means, with respect to the Third Amended and Restated Credit Facility, the FILO Facility, the DIP Credit Agreement and the Junior DIP Term Loan, payoff letters in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to Buyer (subject only to delivery of funds as arranged by Buyer), that (i) specify the aggregate amount required to be paid to fully satisfy the existing indebtedness of Sellers to be repaid under this Agreement or otherwise satisfied at Closing (including principal, interest, fees, expenses and other amounts payable under such indebtedness) that will be outstanding as of the Closing and (ii) provide for the full and unconditional release of (A) any and all guarantees provided by Sellers of all such obligations and (B) any and all Liens and other security interests on the Acquired Assets securing all such ebligations (subject, in each case, only to delivery of funds as arranged by Buyer). Each To the extent required to effect the release in the previous sentence, such Payoff Letter shall include UCC-3 termination statements and fully executed short-form termination and release agreements with respect to any and all security interests in intellectual property that, when filed or recorded, as the case may be, will be sufficient to release any and all such security interests in intellectual property, and the authorization for the Sellers to file or record such documents (unless already filed concurrently with delivery of such Payoff Letter).

"Pending Inventory" shall mean the Ordered Inventory and the Prepaid Inventory.

"<u>Permitted Encumbrances</u>" shall mean Permitted Post-Closing Encumbrances and Permitted Pre-Closing Encumbrances.

"Permitted Post-Closing Encumbrances" shall mean (i) with respect to real property leased or owned by Sellers, zoning restrictions, building codes and other land use laws regulating the use or occupancy of real property and defects of title, easements, rights of way, covenants and restrictions, and any other encumbrance, in each case, that do not, individually or in the aggregate, materially affect the value and do not materially interfere with the use and operation of the assets to which they relate, (ii) other non-monetary Encumbrances that do not materially, individually or in the aggregate, interfere with the use or market value of the assets to which they relate or which will be cleared by the Bankruptcy Court, (iii) any encumbrances on the interest of any landlord or sublandlord or underlying fee interest of any Acquired Lease and (iv) as otherwise set forth on Schedule 1.1(i).

"Permitted Pre-Closing Encumbrances" shall mean (i) with respect to real property leased or owned by Sellers, zoning restrictions, building codes and other land use laws regulating the

use or occupancy of real property and defects of title, easements, rights of way, covenants and restrictions, and any other encumbrance, in each case, that do not, individually or in the aggregate, materially affect the value and do not materially interfere with the use and operation of the assets to which they relate, (ii) other non-monetary Encumbrances that do not, individually or in the aggregate, materially interfere with the use or market value of the assets to which they relate or which will be cleared by the Bankruptcy Court, (iii) any encumbrances on the interest of any landlord or sublandlord or underlying fee interest of any Acquired Lease, (iv) non-exclusive licenses to Intellectual Property granted to customers, suppliers and other service providers of Sellers to the extent necessary for their respective use of the products and services of the Business or for the provision of services to Sellers and its Subsidiaries in connection therewith and entered into in the Ordinary Course of Business, (v) any matter disclosed in any title policies, title commitments, other title reports and/or surveys provided or made available to Buyer on or prior to the date hereof, (vi) liens for Taxes that are not delinquent or which are being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings and with respect to which adequate reserves are being maintained to the extent required in accordance with GAAP, (vii) mechanics', carriers', workmen's, repairmen's or other similar liens arising or incurred in the Ordinary Course of Business for amounts which are (x) not due and payable and (y) not, individually or in the aggregate, material to the Business or the Acquired Assets, (viii) such other imperfections in title, charges, easements, restrictions and encumbrances which do not secure an obligation to pay money or materially interfere with the use or market value of the assets to which they relate and (ix) as otherwise set forth on Schedule 1.1(j).

"Person" shall mean any individual, corporation (including any non-profit corporation), partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, estate, trust, association, organization or other entity or Governmental Authority.

"Petition Date" shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"Pharmacy Receivables" means Accounts (as defined under the UCC) arising from the sale of prescription drugs or other Inventory which can be dispensed only through an order of a licensed professional (including, for the avoidance of doubt, for pharmacy scripts).

"Plans and Permits" shall mean, with respect to any Lease Premises or Owned Real Property, all related reports (including engineering and environmental), surveys (boundary and topographical), plans, blueprints and other schematics, franchises, grants, authorizations, licenses, permits, easements, variances, exceptions, consents, certificates (including all certificates of occupancy), building permits, fire, health and safety permits, site plan approvals and all other planning approvals, zoning variances, conditional or special use permits (including for firearms or other special occupancies or uses), general assembly or general use permits or other similar documentation, and all Environmental Permits, approvals, clearances and Orders of a Governmental Authority, together with all architect, engineer, contractor, vendor and supplier warranties and guarantees with respect to any of the foregoing and/or the related Improvements.

"Potential Acquired Assets" shall mean all assets of Seller of any kind that either (i) constitute an Acquired Asset (other than Leases or Contracts) or (ii) constitute Potential Transferred Agreements.

"Potential Transferred Agreement" shall mean (i) all Leases and (ii) all other Contracts Related to the Business to which a Seller is a party and all IP Licenses, excluding, in each case, this Agreement, the Approval Order, the Existing Financing Arrangements and any other Transaction Documents, and any engagement letters or agreements between any Seller and any estate professionals retained by such Seller. For the avoidance of doubt, the foregoing Leases and Contracts are required to be listed on the list provided by the Seller to Buyer within five (5) Business Days following the date hereof in accordance with Section 2.7.

"Pre-Assignment Tax Period" shall mean, with respect to any Acquired Asset, Acquired Property or Assumed Liability, any taxable period (or portion thereof) ending on or before the date on which (i) the sale, transfer, assignment, conveyance or delivery of, or relating to, such Acquired Asset or Acquired Property to Buyer (or an applicable Assignee) or (ii) the assumption of such Assumed Liability by Buyer (or an applicable Assignee), in each case, is consummated, which date shall be the Closing Date or the applicable Designation Assignment Date pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.

"Prepaid Inventory" shall mean all Inventory that has been paid for by Sellers prior to the Closing Date but as to which Sellers have not taken title or delivery as of the Closing Date.

"Proceeding" shall mean any claim, as defined in the Bankruptcy Code, action, arbitration, audit, hearing, investigation, litigation, or suit (whether civil criminal, administrative or investigative) commenced, brought, conducted, or heard by or before, or otherwise involving, any Governmental Authority.

"Product Catalogs and Manuals" shall mean all product catalogs, manuals and user guides, in each case created or developed by or on behalf of any Seller.

"Property" shall mean any (i) each Lease Premises and (ii) each Owned Real Property.

"Property Taxes" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(i).

"Purchase Price" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.1.

"Real Estate Financing" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.4(a).

"Real Estate Financing Commitment Letter" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.4(a).

"Real Estate Loan 2020" shall mean the loan extended pursuant to that certain [Third Amended and Restated Loan Agreement, dated June 4, 2018] (as at any time amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified), among Sears, Roebuck and Co,, Kmart Stores of Illinois LLC, Kmart of Washington LLC, Kmart Corporation, SHC Desert Springs, LLC, Innovel Solutions, Inc., Sears Holdings Management Corporation, MaxServ, Inc., Troy Coolidge No 13, LLC, Sears Development Co. and Big Beaver of Florida Development, LLC, collectively as borrowers, SHC, as guarantor, JPP, LLC as agent, and JPP, LLC, JPP II LLC and Cascade Investment, L.L.C., as lenders.

"Real Estate Loan 2020 Buyout Amount" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.1(c).

"Receivables Purchase Price" shall mean an amount equal to \$88,400,000.

"Related" to any business, asset or Liability, shall mean owned or held primarily by, required primarily for, or used, intended for use, leased or licensed, primarily in connection with, or (in the case of Liabilities) to the extent accrued, reserved or incurred in connection with, such business, asset or Liability.

"Release Consideration" shall mean an amount of cash equal to Thirty-Five Million Dollars (\$35,000,000).

"Representative" shall mean, with respect to a particular Person, any director, officer, employee, agent, consultant, advisor or other representative of such Person, including legal counsel, accountants and financial advisors.

"Represented Employees" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.7.

"Required Information" means (x) the financial information regarding the Sellers necessary for Buyer to prepare the pro forma financial statements referenced in paragraph 5(i) of Exhibit C of the ABL Commitment Letter and (y) the financial statements regarding the Sellers referenced in paragraph 5(ii) of Exhibit C of the ABL Commitment Letter and (z) authorization and representation letters to the extent customary or contemplated by the ABL Financing; [(provided, that Buyer acknowledges that as of the date of this Agreement Buyer has received the financial information and financial statements referred to in clauses (x) and (y) of this definition)]. If Sellers in good faith reasonably believe that they have delivered the Required Information that is Compliant to Buyer, they may deliver to Buyer a written notice to that effect

Note to Buyer: Description to be confirmed.

Note to Seller: if we receive everything we need prior to signing and the banks have signed off (ESL and the banks have been working directly with BRG and Rob) then we will include bracketed language to the extent received. For now, such information is not complete, so we are bracketing. Please also note that the financial information in 5(ii) of Exhibit C is coming directly from Rob from the Company systems, so we need to run through our Marketing Period / Compliant concept (this gets us to the same place as authorization letters would as we previously had in covenant, but we've deleted that requirement).

(stating when they believe they completed such delivery), in which case such Required Information shall be deemed to have been delivered on the date specified in that notice, unless Buyer in good faith reasonably believes that Sellers have not completed delivery of the Required Information or that the Required Information is not Compliant and, within two (2) Business Days after receipt of such notice from Sellers, Buyer delivers a written notice to Sellers to that effect and stating with specificity which Required Information Sellers have not delivered or the reason for which the Required Information is not Compliant.

"Retail Price" [shall mean, with respect to each item of merchandise, the lowest ticketed, handmarked, shelf, file, SKU, scan or sales price of such item at the applicable retail store as of [•], 2018.]¹⁰

"Retained Books and Records" shall mean (i) any documents that Sellers are required by applicable Law to retain, provided that a copy of such Books and Records that is also related to the Business, the Acquired Assets or the Assumed Liabilities shall be included in Books and Records, and Sellers shall redact from any copies included in the Retained Books and Records any information to the extent related to the Business, the Acquired Assets or the Assumed Liabilities to the extent permitted by applicable Law, (ii) corporate seals, minute books, charter documents, corporate stock record books, original Tax Returns and such other books and records, in each case, as pertaining to the organization, or share capitalization of any of Sellers. (iii) any documents, instruments, records and other written or electronic material in whatever form or media exclusively related to any of the Excluded Assets or Excluded Liabilities. (iv) copies of any Books and Records or information Related to any Excluded Assets or Excluded Liabilities, provided that a copy of such Books and Records that is also related to the Business, the Acquired Assets or the Assumed Liabilities shall be included in Books and Records, (v) confidential personnel and medical records pertaining to current and former directors, officers, employees, consultants and independent contractors of the Sellers solely to the extent that a transfer of such information would be in violation of applicable Laws and provided that Sellers shall reasonably cooperate with Buyer to enter into any Contracts that Buyer may reasonably request in order to render the provision of such information compliant with all applicable Laws, (vi) documents relating to proposals to acquire the Business or the Acquired Assets or any part thereof by any Person other than Buyer, (vii) all documents prepared in connection with this Agreement or the Transactions and (viii) all documents primarily relating to the Bankruptcy Case and copies of all documents relating to the Bankruptcy Case.

"Sears Marks" shall mean the name "SEARS" and any name consisting of, containing or incorporating "SEARS", and all designs and logos associated therewith, in each case, together with all variations thereof; and all Trademarks, Business Names, Domain Names and Media Accounts consisting of, containing or incorporating any of the foregoing.

"Sears Re" shall mean Sears Reinsurance Company Ltd., a Bermuda Class 3 insurer.

¹⁰-Note to Sellers: As discussed, Retail Price definition to be revised to match SHC definition which tracks borrowing base definition.

"Second Lien Credit Agreement" shall mean that certain Second Lien Credit Agreement, dated as of September 1, 2016 by and among Sears Roebuck Acceptance Corp. and Kmart Corporation, as borrowers, SHC, JPP LLC, as administrative agent and collateral administrator, JPP LLC and JPP II LLC, as lenders, and the guarantors party thereto from time to time.

"Second Lien Line of Credit Facility" shall mean the line of credit facility granted pursuant to an amendment to the Second Lien Credit Agreement.

"Second Lien Term Loan" shall mean the term loan granted pursuant to the Second Lien Credit Agreement.

"Second Lien PIK Notes" shall mean those certain 6 5/8% secured convertible notes due October 2019, issued by SHC pursuant to that certain Indenture, dated March 20, 2018 (as at any time amended, restated, amended and restated or otherwise modified) by and among SHC, as issuer, Computershare Trust Company, N.A., as trustee, and California Builder Appliances, Inc., Florida Builder Appliances, Inc., Kmart Corporation, Kmart Holding Corporation, Kmart Operations LLC, Sears Operations LLC, Sears, Roebuck and Co., Sears Holdings Management Corporation, Sears Home Improvement Products, Inc., Sears Roebuck Acceptance Corp., A&E Factory Service, LLC, A&E Home Delivery, LLC, A&E Lawn & Garden, LLC, A&E Signature Service, LLC, KLC, Inc., Kmart of Michigan, Inc., Private Brands, Ltd., Sears Brands Management Corporation, Sears Protection Company, Sears Protection Company (Florida) L.L.C., Sears Roebuck de Puerto Rico, Inc., SOE, Inc., Starwest, LLC, Kmart.com LLC, Kmart of Washington LLC, Kmart Stores of Illinois LLC, Kmart Stores of Texas LLC, and Mygofer LLC, as guarantors.

"Securities Consideration" means debt or equity securities in Buyer, in an amount and form to be determined by Buyer in an amount and form reasonably acceptable to Buyer, including as to subordination.

"Security Deposit Documents" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(o).

"Security Deposits" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(0).

"Seller" and "Sellers" shall have the meanings set forth in the Preamble.

"Seller Instructions" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.8(c).

"Seller Retained Occupancy Agreement" shall mean that certain Seller Retained Occupancy Agreement in the form attached hereto as Exhibit [•].

"Seller SEC Reports" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6.12.

"Seller Products" shall mean any product manufactured, sold, offered for sale or otherwise distributed by a Seller within the scope of the Business.

"Seller Releasing Party" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.13.

"Seller Services" shall mean any service of the type provided by a Seller within the scope of the Business.

"Seritage Master Lease" shall mean the Master Lease by and among Seritage SRC Finance LLC, Seritage KMT Finance LLC, Kmart Operations, LLC, and Sears Operations, LLC, dated as of July 7, 2015, as modified by the Side Letter to Master Lease, by and among Seritage SRC Finance LLC, Seritage KMT Finance LLC, Kmart Operations, LLC, and Sears Operations, LLC, dated as of July 7, 2015.

"Service Providers" shall mean the current and former directors, officers, employees, consultants and independent contractors of Sellers and their Affiliates.

"ServiceLive Marks" shall mean the name "SERVICELIVE" and any name consisting of, containing or incorporating "SERVICELIVE", and all designs and logos associated therewith, in each case, together with all variations thereof; and all Trademarks, Business Names, Domain Names and Media Accounts consisting of, containing or incorporating any of the foregoing.

"Severance Reimbursement Obligations" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.7(i).

"SHC" shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

"SHIP Purchase Agreement" means that certain SHIP Asset Purchase Agreement entered into as of November 2, 2018 by and between SHC, a Delaware corporation, and Service.com, Inc., a Delaware corporation (as may be amended from time to time).

"SHIP Purchase Agreement Assets" means the Transferred Assets (as defined in the SHIP Purchase Agreement).

"SHIP Purchase Agreement Liabilities" means the Assumed Liabilities (as defined in the SHIP Purchase Agreement).

"Shop Your Way Marks" shall mean the name "SHOP YOUR WAY" and any name consisting of, containing or incorporating "SHOP YOUR WAY", and all designs and logos associated therewith, in each case, together with all variations thereof; and all Trademarks, Business Names, Domain Names and Media Accounts consisting of, containing or incorporating any of the foregoing.

"Short Form Assignments" shall mean (i) with respect to any Trademarks, Patents or Copyrights issued, filed or registered in the United States and included in the Acquired Intellectual Property, agreements substantially in the form of Schedule 1, Schedule 2 or Schedule 3 of the IP Assignment Agreement, (ii) with respect to any Domain Names included in the Acquired Intellectual Property, an agreement substantially in the form of Schedule 4 of the IP Assignment Agreement and (iii) with respect to any Intellectual Property included in the Acquired Intellectual Property that is issued, filed or registered in a jurisdiction outside of the

United States, an assignment agreement suitable for recording in the relevant jurisdictions with terms and conditions substantially similar to those set forth in Schedule 1, Schedule 2 or Schedule 3 of IP Assignment Agreement, except for any different terms and conditions that would be necessary in a recordable assignment agreement for the respective local jurisdiction, in each case of clauses (i) thorough (iii) to be entered into by and between a Seller, on the one hand, and Buyer or its applicable Affiliates, on the other hand (clauses (i) through (iii) shall include each of the issued, registered or applied-for items of Intellectual Property included in the Acquired Intellectual Property).

"SKU" means stock keeping unit.

"Smart Sense Marks" shall mean the name "SMART SENSE" and any name consisting of, containing or incorporating "SMART SENSE", and all designs and logos associated therewith, in each case, together with all variations thereof; and all Trademarks, Business Names, Domain Names and Media Accounts consisting of, containing or incorporating any of the foregoing.

"Software" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of Intellectual Property.

"Sparrow Properties" shall mean the real properties set forth on Schedule 1.1[•].

"Specified Receivables" shall mean the accounts receivable set forth on Schedule 1.1(k).

"Specified Receivables Shortfall Amount" shall mean an amount equal to \$255,200,000 less the amount of the Specified Receivables delivered to Buyer at Closing.

"Sponsor" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.4(a).

"Straddle Period" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.2(d).

"Subsidiary" shall mean, with respect to any Person, any other Person where a majority of its outstanding voting or equity interests are held, directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, by such Person.

"Tax" or "Taxes" shall mean any federal, state, provincial, local, municipal, foreign or other taxes, duties, levies, governmental charges or assessments or deficiencies thereof, including all income, alternative, minimum, franchise, capital stock, net worth, capital gains, profits, intangibles, gross receipts, value added, sales, use, goods and services, excise, customs, transfer, recording, occupancy, employment, unemployment, social security, payroll, withholding, estimated or other taxes, duties, levies or other governmental charges or assessments or deficiencies thereof (including all interest and penalties thereon and additions thereto), in each case imposed by any Governmental Authority.

"<u>Tax Opinion</u>" shall mean an opinion at a "more likely than not" or higher standard as to the tax consequences of any of the transactions described in Article II.

"Tax Proceeding" shall mean any audit, examination, investigation or other administrative or judicial proceeding with or against any Governmental Authority or otherwise with respect to Taxes.

"Tax Reorganization" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.12.

"Tax Result" shall mean (i) the minimization of the net amount of Taxes imposed on, and (ii) the maximization of the aggregate amount of the Tax attributes described in section 108(b)(2) of the Code available for utilization by, in each case, (x) Buyer or the group of affiliated corporations (within the meaning of section 1504(a) of the Code) of which Buyer is the parent (or a member) or (y) Buyer or any combined group of which it is a member for state Tax purposes.

"Tax Return" shall mean any return, declaration, report, claim for refund, information return or other document (including any related or supporting estimates, elections, schedules, statements, or information) filed with or required to be filed with any Governmental Authority in connection with the determination, assessment or collection of any Tax or the administration of any Laws, regulations or administrative requirements relating to any Tax.

"Third Amended and Restated Credit Agreement" shall mean that certain Third Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated as of July 21, 2015 (as at any time amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified), by and among Sears Roebuck Acceptance Corp. and Kmart Corporation, as borrowers, SHC, Bank of America, N.A., as administrative agent, co-collateral agent and swingline lender, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association as co-collateral agent, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association as syndication agent, PNC Bank, National Association, Siemens Financial Services, Inc., Ally Bank and Citigroup Global Markets Inc. as co-documentation agents, Merrill Lynch Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as joint lead arrangers, and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, PNC Bank, National Association and Citigroup Global Markets Inc. as joint bookrunners pursuant to which Third Amended and Restated Credit Agreement Sears Roebuck Acceptance Corp. and Kmart Corporation entered into two senior secured term loan facilities as well as a \$1.5 billion asset-based revolving credit facility with a syndicate of lenders.

"Title Company" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.9.

"<u>Titled Property</u>" shall have the meaning set forth in <u>Section 9.9</u>.

"Trademarks" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of Intellectual Property.

"<u>Transaction Documents</u>" shall mean this Agreement and any other agreements, instruments or documents entered into pursuant to this Agreement.

"<u>Transactions</u>" shall mean the transactions contemplated to be consummated by this Agreement and the Transaction Documents, including the purchase and sale of the Designation

Rights and the Acquired Assets and the assumption of the Assumed Liabilities provided for in this Agreement.

"Transfer Taxes" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.3(b).

"Transferred Employees" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.7(a).

"<u>UCC</u>" shall mean the Uniform Commercial Code as from time to time in effect in the State of Delaware.

"Wally Marks" shall mean the name "WALLY" and any name consisting of, containing or incorporating "WALLY", and all designs and logos associated therewith, in each case, together with all variations thereof; and all Trademarks, Business Names, Domain Names and Media Accounts consisting of, containing or incorporating any of the foregoing.

"WARN Act" shall mean the Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act of 1988, as amended, any similar Law (including any similar local, state or non-U.S. notice requirement relating to the termination of employees), and the rules and regulations thereunder.

"Warranty Receivables" shall mean those certain accounts receivable set forth on Schedule 1.1(1).

"Warranty Receivables Shortfall Amount" shall mean an amount equal to \$53,600,000 less the amount of the Warranty Receivables delivered to Buyer at Closing.

"Weatherbeater Marks" shall mean the name "WEATHERBEATER" and any name consisting of, containing or incorporating "WEATHERBEATER", and all designs and logos associated therewith, in each case, together with all variations thereof; and all Trademarks, Business Names, Domain Names and Media Accounts consisting of, containing or incorporating any of the foregoing.

Section 1.2 Other Definitions and Interpretive Matters.

- (a) Unless otherwise indicated to the contrary in this Agreement by the context or use thereof:
 - (i) When calculating the period of time before which, within which or following which any act is to be done or step taken pursuant to this Agreement, the date that is the reference date in calculating such period shall be excluded. If the last day of such period is a day other than a Business Day, the period in question shall end on the next succeeding Business Day.
 - (ii) Any reference in this Agreement to "dollars" or "\$" means U.S. dollars.
 - (iii) Unless the context otherwise requires, all capitalized terms used in the Exhibits and Schedules shall have the respective meanings assigned in this Agreement. No reference to or disclosure of any item or other matter in the Exhibits and Schedules

shall be construed as an admission or indication that such item or other matter is material or that such item or other matter is required to be referred to or disclosed in the Exhibits and Schedules. No disclosure in the Exhibits and Schedules relating to any possible breach or violation of any Contract or Law shall be construed as an admission or indication that any such breach or violation exists or has actually occurred. Solely to the extent any Schedule is related to any representation or warranty contained in this Agreement, any information, item or other disclosure set forth in any Schedule shall be deemed to have been set forth in all other applicable Schedules relating to representations or warranties contained in this Agreement if the relevance of such disclosure to such other Schedule is reasonably apparent on the face of such disclosure. All Exhibits and Schedules attached or annexed hereto or referred to herein are hereby incorporated in and made a part of this Agreement as if set forth in full herein.

- (iv) Any reference in this Agreement to gender includes all genders, and words importing the singular number also include the plural and vice versa.
- (v) The provision of a table of contents, the division of this Agreement into Articles, Sections and other subdivisions and the insertion of headings are for convenience of reference only and shall not affect or be utilized in the construction or interpretation of this Agreement. All references in this Agreement to any "Section," "Article," "Schedule," or "Exhibit" are to the corresponding Section, Article, Schedule, or Exhibit of or to this Agreement unless otherwise specified.
- (vi) Words such as "herein," "hereof' and "hereunder" refer to this Agreement as a whole and not merely to a subdivision in which such words appear, unless the context otherwise requires.
- (vii) The word "extent" and the phrase "to the extent" when used in this Agreement shall mean the degree to which a subject or other thing extends, and such word or phrase shall not merely mean "if."
- (viii) The word "including" or any variation thereof means "including, without limitation," and shall not be construed to limit any general statement that it follows to the specific or similar items or matters immediately following it.
- (ix) References to "any" shall mean "any and all," and "or" is used in the inclusive sense of "and/or."
- (b) No Strict Construction. Buyer, on the one hand, and Sellers, on the other hand, participated jointly in the negotiation and drafting of this Agreement, and, in the event an ambiguity or question of intent or interpretation arises, this Agreement shall be construed as jointly drafted by Buyer, on the one hand, and Sellers, on the other hand, and no presumption or burden of proof shall arise favoring or disfavoring any Party by virtue of the authorship of any provision of this Agreement. Without limitation as to the foregoing, no rule of strict construction

construing ambiguities against the draftsperson shall be applied against any Person with respect to this Agreement.

ARTICLE II

PURCHASE AND SALE

- Section 2.1 Purchase and Sale of the Acquired Assets. Upon the terms and subject to the conditions of this Agreement, and subject to Section 2.6 and Article V with respect to the Designation Rights and Designatable Leases, and Section 2.7(d), Section 2.9 and Article V with respect to Additional Contracts, on the Closing Date, Sellers shall sell, transfer, assign, convey and deliver, or cause to be sold, transferred, assigned, conveyed and delivered, to Buyer or the applicable Assignee, and Buyer or such applicable Assignee shall purchase, all right, title and interest of Sellers, in, to or under all assets, properties and rights Related to the Business other than the Excluded Assets, and the following assets, properties and rights (collectively, the "Acquired Assets") free and clear of any and all Encumbrances of any kind, nature or description and any Claims, in each case other than Permitted Post-Closing Encumbrances and except as set forth on Schedule 6.10(b)(i):
 - (a) the Assigned Agreements and the Designation Rights;
 - (b) all Acquired Lease Rights;
 - (c) all Owned Real Property;
- (d) all Acquired Inventory, all Acquired Receivables, all Acquired Equipment and all Acquired Improvements;
- all Intellectual Property owned (whether solely or jointly with others) by Sellers, including (i) the Sears Marks, the Kmart Marks, the Shop Your Way Marks, the ServiceLive Marks, the PartsDirect Marks, the Wally Marks, the Smart Sense Marks, the Weatherbeater Marks, the Kenmore Marks registered or applied for outside of the United States and the DieHard Marks registered or applied for outside of the United States, (ii) the Trademarks, listed on Schedule 2.1(a)(i) attached hereto, (iii) the Business Names listed on Schedule 2.1(a)(ii) attached hereto, (iv) the Patents listed on Schedule 2.1(a)(iii) attached hereto, (v) the Copyrights listed on Schedule 2.1(a)(iv) attached hereto, (vi) the Domain Names listed on Schedule 2.1(a)(v) attached hereto, (vii) the Media Accounts listed on Schedule 2.1(a)(vi) attached hereto and (viii) all Intellectual Property that constitutes "Collateral" as defined in the Intellectual Property Security Agreement (collectively, the "Acquired Intellectual Property"), in each case of the foregoing together with the rights (A) to sue and recover damages and obtain equitable relief for past, present and future infringement, misappropriation, dilution or other violation thereof, (B) to collect past and future royalties and other payments thereunder, (C) to claim priority thereon under any Law, (D) to prosecute, register, maintain and defend such Intellectual Property before any public or private agency, office or registrar and (E) to fully and entirely stand in the place of Sellers, as applicable, in all matters related thereto; for the avoidance of doubt, Buyer and Sellers hereby acknowledge and agree that as of the Closing Date, Buyer shall

be the successor in interest to each of the businesses of Sellers to which the Trademarks included in the Acquired Intellectual Property pertain, and such businesses shall be ongoing and existing;

- (f) all goodwill and other intangible assets associated with or connected to the Business or symbolized by any of the Acquired Intellectual Property and all goodwill of the businesses in which the Trademarks and Business Names included in the Acquired Intellectual Property are used and all goodwill connected with the use of and symbolized by the foregoing;
- (g) (i) all data owned or controlled (meaning any data Sellers have the ability to transfer in compliance with applicable Law) by any of the Sellers and contained in Sellers' IT Systems, data centers or databases stored by third parties on behalf of Sellers or otherwise collected, accessed, acquired, stored, protected, used, re-used or otherwise processed by or on behalf of a Seller to the extent the sale or transfer of such data is not in contravention with applicable Law or any of any Seller's applicable privacy policies or contractual restrictions, (ii) Customer Data to the extent the sale or transfer of such Customer Data is not in contravention with applicable Law or any of any Seller's applicable privacy policies or contractual restrictions and (iii) all other data that constitutes "Collateral" as defined in the Intellectual Property Security Agreement, to the extent the sale or transfer of such data is not in contravention with applicable Law or any of any Seller's applicable privacy policies or contractual restrictions (the data described in this clause (iii), together with the data described in clauses (i) and (ii), the "Acquired Data");
- (h) any Claims, causes of action, claims, rights of recovery or rights of set-off arising under any IP Licenses included in the Assigned Agreements on or after the Closing Date, and the right to collect past and future royalties and other payments, as well as prepaid expenses of Sellers thereunder;
- (i) any and all real (including real estate taxes, assessments and related governmental impositions both general and special imposed under the laws of any one or more jurisdictions in which the applicable Lease Premises is located against the land, buildings and other improvements), personal and intangible property Taxes ("<u>Property Taxes</u>") that are prepaid with respect to such Acquired Lease or any other related Acquired Assets; <u>provided</u>, that such Property Taxes are Assumed Liabilities or Liabilities for which Buyer is otherwise responsible hereunder;
- (j) any interest in or right to any refund, rebate or credit of Taxes that are Assumed Liabilities or for which Buyer is otherwise responsible hereunder including (for the avoidance of doubt) any such refund, rebate or credit of a Tax that becomes payable or available to Sellers in the future in respect of a Tax previously paid or otherwise incurred by Buyer pursuant to Section 3.5;
- (k) all rights (but not obligations) of Sellers under any non-disclosure or confidentiality, non-compete or non-solicitation agreements, to the extent any such agreement relates to the Business or any Acquired Asset;

- (1) all assignable Assigned Plans and Permits that are Related to the Business;
- (m) any and all Books and Records (which, with respect to any electronic forms thereof, may be copies) and any and all Intellectual Property Related Documentation;
- (n) all Labeling and Marketing Materials and Product Catalogs and Manuals owned by Sellers;
- (o) any and all rights of Sellers in and to any restricted cash, security deposits, letters of credit, escrow deposits and cash collateral, including cash collateral given to obtain or maintain letters of credit and cash drawn or paid on letters of credit, utility deposits, performance, payment or surety bonds, credits, allowance, prepaid rent or other assets, charges, setoffs, prepaid expenses, other prepaid items and other security (collectively, "Security Deposits"), together with all contracts, agreements or documents evidencing or related to the same (collectively, "Security Deposit Documents"), in each case to the extent related to any Acquired Asset;
- (p) any and all Claims (other than returns of merchandise for warranty claims (except, for the avoidance of doubt, to the extent comprising Assumed Liabilities) and excluding any Claims Related to an Excluded Asset or Excluded Liability) of Sellers as of the Closing to the extent related to the Business or any Acquired Asset;
- (q) subject to Section 5.1(a)(v), Section 5.1(a)(vi) and Section 9.8(c), any and all insurance proceeds, warranty proceeds, condemnation awards or other compensation in respect of loss or damage to the Business or any Acquired Asset, (A) to the extent occurring on or after the Closing dDate hereof, and all right and claim of Sellers to any such insurance proceeds, warranty proceeds, condemnation awards or other compensation not paid by Closing, in the case of the Acquired Assets, or the applicable Assumption Effective Date, in the case of the Assigned Agreements and (B) to be remitted to Buyer in accordance with Section 12.3;
 - (r) subject to Section 9.14, the KCD Notes from Sears Re as Seller;
- (s) all equity interests held in SRC O.P. LLC from SRC Sparrow 2 LLC as Seller; provided, that if either (i) SRC Sparrow 2 LLC has filed a petition for relief commencing a case under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code for the purpose of selling such equity interests in SRC O.P. LLC, and Buyer or its Affiliate has purchased such equity interests pursuant to a chapter 11 plan of reorganization or a sale of assets pursuant to section 363(m) of the Bankruptcy Code or (ii) Buyer shall have acquired the Sparrow Properties pursuant to foreclosure, then Buyer shall be deemed to have purchased the equity interests in SRC O.P. LLC described in this subsection (s);
- (t) all Actions and other rights, rebates, refunds, audits, rights of recovery, rights of setoff, rights of recoupment, rights of reimbursement, rights of indemnity or contribution and other similar rights (known and unknown, matured and unmatured, accrued or contingent, regardless of whether such rights are currently exercisable) against any Person, including all warranties, representations, guarantees, indemnities and other contractual claims (express,

implied or otherwise), in each case to the extent related to the Business or any Acquired Asset (excluding for the avoidance of doubt, any Claims arising under any Transaction Document), exincluding, for the avoidance of doubt, the indemnities set forth in Section 6.08(b) and Section 6.08(e) of the SHIP Purchase Agreement and Section 11(a) of Exhibit E of the SHIP Purchase Agreement;

- (u) all Contracts Related to the Business (i) that include a manufacturer's warranty relating to Seller Products or Seller Services and (ii) relating to repair services provided by the Business in relation to Seller Products or Seller Services;
 - (v) the Buyer Party Release;
- (w) all assets, properties and rights that constitute "Collateral" as defined in the Intellectual Property Security Agreement, other than data which is the subject of Section 2.1(g); and Intellectual Property which is the subject of Section 2.1(e);
 - (x) the right to receive the Pending Inventory;
 - (y) the Credit Card Claims;
- (z) all equity interests held by Sellers in Sears, Roebuck de Mexico, S. A. de C.V., a corporation duly incorporated under the laws of the United Mexican States;
- (aa) to the extent permitted by Law, all licenses or permits granted by any Governmental Authority held by Sellers that are necessary for the provision or assumption of the PA Liabilities; and
- (bb) any proceeds from the sale or other disposition of the collateral pledged to secure the applicable debt obligations with respect to the credit bids set forth in Section 3.1(b) to which the holders of Claims secured by such collateral has attached.
- Section 2.2 <u>Excluded Assets</u>. Nothing contained herein shall be deemed to sell, transfer, assign, convey or deliver, or cause to be sold, transferred, assigned, conveyed or delivered, any right, title or interest of Sellers in, to or under the Excluded Assets. "<u>Excluded</u> Assets" shall mean:
 - (a) any Contract that is not an Assigned Agreement;
- (b) any lease, sublease or similar agreement that is not a Lease and any Designatable Lease that is not designated for assumption by the Seller and assignment to Buyer pursuant to the terms of this Agreement;
- (c) any real property interest of any kind or nature that is not Related to Owned Real Property or the Assigned Leases;
 - (d) all Excluded Inventory, all Excluded Equipment and all Excluded Improvements;

- (e) this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents;
- (f) except as otherwise expressly included as Acquired Assets, all cash and cash equivalents, including checks, commercial paper, treasury bills, certificates of deposit and other bank deposits;
 - (g) the Retained Books and Records;
- (h) any interest in or right to any refund, rebate or credit of Excluded Asset-Reorganization Taxes (including, for the avoidance of doubt, with respect to any Taxes for which Sellers remain liable); provided, however, that if Buyer makes the election under Section 2.12(b) to treat all the transactions described in this Article II as Designated Sale Transactions (resulting in no transfer of Sellers' Tax attributes to Buyer), then this Section 2.2(h) shall also include any interest in or right to any refund, rebate or credit of Excluded Asset-Sale Taxes;
- (i) all Claims and Proceedings of Sellers (other than Claims described in Section 2.1(p));
 - (j) all Avoidance Actions;
 - (k) the Excluded IT;
- (l) except as otherwise expressly included as Acquired Assets, all shares of capital stock or other equity interests of any Seller or Subsidiary of the Seller or securities convertible into or exchangeable or exercisable for shares of capital stock or other equity interests of any Seller, Subsidiary of the Seller or any other Person;
- (m) all Employee Plans, including any assets, trust agreements or other funding Contracts related thereto;
 - (n) any accounts receivable other than the Acquired Receivables; and
 - (o) the SHIP Purchase Agreement Assets.
- Section 2.3 <u>Assumption of Liabilities</u>. Upon the terms and subject to the conditions of this Agreement, on the Closing Date Buyer, or the applicable Assignee, shall assume, effective as of the Closing, and shall timely perform and discharge in accordance with their respective terms, the following Liabilities (collectively, the "Assumed Liabilities"):
- (a) all Liabilities of the Seller or any of its Subsidiaries arising out of the ownership of the Acquired Assets or operation of the Business or the Acquired Assets on or after the Closing Date that are Related to any Acquired Asset;
- (b) all Liabilities arising on or after the Closing Date or Designation Assignment Date, as applicable, relating to the payment or performance of obligations with respect to the Assigned Agreements;

- (c) all Liabilities arising on or after the Closing Date from or related to any Claim, Action, arbitration, audit, hearing, investigation, suit, litigation or other proceeding (whether civil, criminal, administrative, investigative, or informal and whether pending or threatened or having any other status) arising out of the Assumed Liabilities, the Acquired Assets or the operation of the Business on or after the Closing Date (but not prior to the Closing Date) or relating to facts, actions, omissions, circumstances or conditions existing, occurring or accruing on or after the Closing Date (but not prior to the Closing Date) that are Related to the Acquired Assets or the Assumed Liabilities;
 - (d) Buyer's obligation to pay the Buyer Occupancy Costs;
- (e) subject to Section 9.14, all Liabilities for warranties and protection agreements or other services contracts (other than warranties relating to Intellectual Property) for the goods and services of Sellers sold or performed prior to the Closing (the "PA Liabilities") as to which the holder of such warranty, protection or services contract has submitted a duly completed affirmance of such holder's rights in such warranty, protection or services contract on or prior to the date that is two hundred and seventy (270) days following the Closing Date;
 - (f) all Assumed Customer Credits;
 - (g) all Cure Costs solely with respect to the Assigned Agreements;
 - (h) all Excluded Asset-Sale Taxes (except if otherwise provided in Section 2.4(i));
- (i) all Liabilities resulting from actions or inactions taken by the Sellers or any Affiliate of Sellers in compliance with Section 9.2;
- (j) all Liabilities with respect to the Transferred Employees (i) to the extent arising as a result of an event, action or omission that occurs on or following the Closing or (ii) expressly assumed by Buyer and its Subsidiaries pursuant to Section 9.7;
- (k) the Severance Reimbursement Obligations, Assumed 503(b)(9) Liabilities, Other Payables and all payment obligations with respect to the Ordered Inventory; <u>provided</u>, that: 1417
 - (i) Buyer shall not be required to make any payments with respect to the Other Payables | 8 until the later of (1) the Closing Date and (2) the date that the applicable obligation thereunder becomes due in the Ordinary Course of Business;

^{**}Note to Buyer: This section is subject to Seller's further review. In particular, if Buyer retains hard caps on the administrative liabilities, it should not be permitted to reduce assumed administrative liabilities if there is a "shortfall".

Note to Sellers: Buyer is open to this proposed timing for payment of Other Payables subject to reviewing a schedule of such Other Payables.

- (iii) Buyer shall not be required to make any payments with respect to any Assumed 503(b)(9) Liabilityies described in this clause (k) until the laterearlier of (1) the date that is 270120 days following the Closing Date and (2) the date on which a chapter 11 plan of reorganization is confirmed by the Bankruptcy Court with respect to the Debtors;
- (iii) Buyer's obligations with respect to the Severance Reimbursement Obligations shall not exceed \$43,000,000 in the aggregate, and notwithstanding Section 2.3(k)(i), the timing of such reimbursement shall be made in accordance with Section 9.7(i);
- (iii) Buyer's obligations with respect to the Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims shall not exceed \$139,000,000 in the aggregate;
- (iv) Buyer's obligations with respect to the Other Payables shall not exceed \$166,000,000 in the aggregate;
- (vyi) [In the event that the Aggregate DIP Shortfall Amount is a positive number, Buyer's obligations to assume the Liabilities described in this clause (k) shall be reduced dollar for dollar by the Aggregate DIP Shortfall Amount in the following order, until the aggregate amount of all such reductions is equal to the Aggregate DIP Shortfall Amount: first, the Severance Reimbursement Obligations, second, the Other Payables and third, the Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims and third, the Other Payables. The allocation of any reduction determined in accordance with the previous sentence of (A) the amount of the Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims among any specific Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims and (B) the amount of the Other Payables among any specific Other Payables shall be determined by Buyer in its sole discretion;
- (vii) In the event that the Specified Receivables Shortfall Amount is a positive number, Buyer's obligations to assume [the Severance Reimbursement Obligations and] the Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims shall be reduced dollar for dollar by the Specified Receivables Shortfall Amount- [in the following order, until the aggregate amount of all such reductions is equal to the Specified Receivables Shortfall Amount: first, the Severance Reimbursement Obligations and second, the Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims]. The allocation of any reduction determined in accordance with the previous sentence of the amount of the Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims among any specific Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims shall be determined by Buyer in its sole discretion;
- (viii) In the event that the Warranty Receivables Shortfall Amount is a positive number, Buyer's obligations to assume [the Severance Reimbursement Obligations and the Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims shall be reduced dollar for dollar by the Warranty Receivables Shortfall Amount. [in the following order, until the aggregate amount of all

such reductions is equal to the Warranty Receivables Shortfall Amount: *first*, the Severance Reimbursement Obligations and *second*, the Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims]. ¹⁰ The allocation of any reduction determined in accordance with the previous sentence of the amount of the Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims among any specific Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims shall be determined by Buyer in its sole discretion;

(viiix) In the event that the Ordered Inventory Shortfall Amount is a positive number, Buyer's obligations to assume [the Severance Reimbursement Obligations and] the Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims shall be reduced dollar for dollar by the Ordered Inventory Shortfall Amount. [in the following order, until the aggregate amount of all such reductions is equal to the Ordered Inventory Shortfall Amount: first, the Severance Reimbursement Obligations and second, the Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims]. The allocation of any reduction determined in accordance with the previous sentence of the amount of the Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims among any specific Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims shall be determined by Buyer in its sole discretion; and]

- Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein or in the Approval Order, and for the avoidance of doubt, the Buyer's agreement to pay Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims, Specified Payables, or any other administrative or priority claim of the Sellers pursuant to the terms hereof is a general unsecured contractual obligation of the Buyer owed solely to the Sellers.
- (1) the Assumed Property Tax Liabilities;
- (m) all Liabilities relating to amounts required to be paid by Buyer under the Transaction Documents; and
- (n) all Liabilities arising prior to, at or after the Closing Date under or pursuant to any Environmental Law relating to the presence of Hazardous Substances at, on, in, under or migrating to or from any Acquired Asset.
- Section 2.4 <u>Excluded Liabilities</u>. None of Buyer, any Affiliate of Buyer or any Assignee shall assume, be deemed to assume or become obligated hereunder in any way to pay or perform (whether as a successor to any Seller or otherwise) any Liabilities of any Sellers or any of their respective Affiliates of any kind or nature, known, unknown, contingent or otherwise, whether direct or indirect, matured or unmatured, other than the Assumed Liabilities, (the foregoing including the following, the "<u>Excluded Liabilities</u>") which shall include the following Liabilities:
- (a) all Liabilities of the Seller or any of its Subsidiaries arising out of the ownership of the Acquired Assets or operation of the Business or the Acquired Assets prior to the Closing

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Date other than Cure Costs, the Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims, Severance Reimbursement Obligations, and Ordered Inventory;

- (b) all Liabilities relating to the payment or performance of obligations arising solely out of facts or circumstances in existence prior to the Closing Date or Designation Assignment Date, as applicable, with respect to the Assigned Agreements;
- (c) all Liabilities arising from or related to any claim, Action, arbitration, audit, hearing, investigation, suit, litigation or other proceeding (whether civil, criminal, administrative, investigative, or informal and whether pending or threatened or having any other status) arising out of the Assumed Liabilities, the Acquired Assets or the operation of the Business prior to the Closing Date or relating to facts, actions, omissions, circumstances or conditions existing, occurring or accruing prior to the Closing Date against any Seller or its Affiliates;
- (d) all Liabilities to the extent arising prior to the Closing Date or arising from or related to the operation of a Seller's business or any of Sellers' products or services, including any Liability relating to (i) design or manufacturing defects (whenever discovered) and (ii) warranties, product liability, safety or other Liability, in the cases of clauses (i) and (ii), relating to any product sold or manufactured by any Seller or any of its Affiliates;
- (e) all Liabilities in respect of any indebtedness of any Seller or guaranty obligations relating to any such funded indebtedness of any Seller;
- (f) all Liabilities (i) under the Employee Plans, including all Liabilities in respect of (A) any compensation earned by any Business Employee or otherwise accrued or payable to or with respect to any Business Employee prior to the Closing, unless expressly assumed by Buyer pursuant to Section 9.7, and (B) any Taxes related thereto, (ii) relating to (A) all current and former employees of Seller and Service Providers and its Subsidiaries (including the Business Employees) to the extent arising as a result of an event, action or omission that occurs prior to the Closing, and (B) all current and former employees of Seller and Service Providers and its Subsidiaries who do not become Transferred Employees (except to the extent subject to the Severance Reimbursement Obligations) and (iii) those Liabilities relating to the Transferred Employees expressly retained by Seller pursuant to Section 9.7;
- (g) except as otherwise provided for in Section 2.3(n), all Liabilities of the Seller or any of its Subsidiaries relating to (i) fines or penalties arising from noncompliance with Environmental Laws occurring prior to the Closing Date, including (ii) Claims for personal injury or property damage related to exposure occurring prior to the Closing Date to Hazardous Substances present at, on, in, under or migrating to or from any Acquired Asset or (iii) the offsite disposal of Hazardous Substances occurring prior to the Closing Date;
 - (h) any Excluded Asset-Reorganization Taxes;
- (i) if (A) Buyer makes the election under <u>Section 2.12(b)</u> to treat all the transactions described in this <u>Article II</u> as Designated Sale Transactions (resulting in no transfer of Sellers' Tax attributes to Buyer) or (B) such transactions do not result in a transfer of substantially all of

Sellers' Tax attributes to Buyer solely as a result of Sellers' failure to make good faith efforts to comply with Section 9.2, or (C) the Internal Revenue Service successfully asserts (for which assertion there is a final determination), that none of Sellers' Tax attributes transferred to Buyer, Excluded Asset-Sale Taxes (but in the case of clause (BC) in respect of a Tax arising in any period prior to any such final determination, only to the extent Sellers actually obtain a refund or other current economic Tax reduction in respect of the applicable Taxes); provided, however, that Excluded Asset Sale Taxes shall not be an Excluded Liability if Buyer makes the election under Section 2.12(b) to treat all the transactions described in this Article II as Designated Sale Transactions and the Internal Revenue Service successfully asserts that a transfer of substantially all of any such Tax attributes to Buyer shall have occurred notwithstanding such Buyer election; then Excluded Asset-Sale Taxes shall not be an Excluded Liability to the extent any such tax would have been reduced or eliminated had the Sellers' Tax attributes not transferred to Buyer (taking into account Tax attributes Sellers would have had if all transactions described in Article II were Designated Sale Transactions and respected as such by the Internal Revenue Service);

- (j) all Liabilities with respect to any brokerage or finders' fees or agents' commissions or other similar payment in connection with the Transactions incurred by any Seller;
- (k) all Liabilities under this Agreement or any documents or instruments executed and delivered by Seller and its Affiliates pursuant to this Agreement;
- (I) all Liabilities relating to or arising, whether before, on or after the Closing Date or, subject to <u>Article V</u>, any applicable Designation Assignment Date, out of, or in connection with, the Excluded Assets;
- (m) all Liabilities in respect of any gift cards, gift certificates, merchandise credits, return credits, customer membership or customer loyalty discount programs, coupons, groupons or other similar credits or programs issued by, on behalf of or in relation to Sellers other than the Assumed Customer Credits;
- (n) all Liabilities related to or arising from, whether before, on or after the Closing Date, use by Sellers of any of the Trademarks or Business Names included in the Acquired Intellectual Property pursuant to Section 9.10;
- (o) except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, all Liabilities for the rejection of any Contract to which a Seller is a party;
 - (p) the SHIP Purchase Agreement Liabilities; and
- (q) other than Cure Costs, accounts payable incurred in the Ordinary Course of Business existing on the Closing Date (including (i) invoiced amounts payable and (ii) accrued but uninvoiced accounts payable).

For the avoidance of doubt, all Taxes of any Seller shall be Assumed Liabilities, regardless of the time and circumstances giving rise to any such Taxes, except for any Tax expressly excluded under Section 2.2(h) or Section 2.4(i).

Year-End Adjustments. For the avoidance of doubt, notwithstanding Section 2.5 anything to the contrary set forth in this Agreement, neither Buyer nor any Assignee shall have any obligations in respect of any portion of any year-end (or other) adjustment (including for royalties, rents, utilities, Taxes, insurance, fees, any common area or other maintenance charges. promotional funds and percentage rent) arising under any of the Acquired Leases or any other Assigned Agreements for the calendar year in which the applicable Lease Assignment occurs that is attributable to (x) the portion of such calendar year occurring prior to such Lease Assignment or (y) any previous calendar year, and Sellers shall fully indemnify and hold harmless Buyer and the applicable Assignee with respect thereto. Buyer shall be solely responsible for any of the matters described in the preceding sentence for the portion of the calendar year in which the Closing Date occurs following each applicable Lease Assignment and all subsequent calendar years, and Buyer shall fully indemnify and hold Sellers harmless with respect thereto. Following the applicable Lease Assignment Date, except as expressly set forth in this Agreement or the Approval Order, Sellers shall have no further liabilities or obligations with respect to each of the Acquired Leases and the other Assigned Agreements (including obligations related to royalties rents, utilities, Taxes, insurance and common area maintenance, regardless of when due and payable), and Sellers shall be released from all such obligations and Buyer shall indemnify and hold harmless Sellers with respect thereto.

Purchase and Sale of Designation Rights. Upon the terms and subject to Section 2.6 the conditions of this Agreement and the Approval Order, on the Closing Date, Sellers shall sell, transfer, assign and convey, or cause to be sold, transferred, assigned and conveyed, to Buyer, and Buyer shall purchase from Sellers, the Designation Rights. For the avoidance of doubt, the sale, transfer, assignment and conveyance of the Designation Rights provided for herein on the Closing Date shall not effectuate a sale, transfer, assignment or conveyance of any Designatable Lease to Buyer or any other Assignee, which shall only be effectuated on a Designation Assignment Date; provided, that, notwithstanding the foregoing, Buyer shall be responsible for all Expenses arising under or related to any Designatable Lease from and after the Closing Date until, if applicable, the rejection of such Designatable Lease in accordance with this Agreement. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, the Approval Order and the requirements of section 365(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, Buyer shall have the right to designate itself or, with the consent of Seller, any other Person as the Assignee to which a Designatable Lease is to be assumed and assigned. The Designation Rights shall terminate upon the expiration of the Designation Rights Period.

Section 2.7 <u>Assignments</u>.

(a) Potential Transferred Agreements.

(i) Schedule 2.7(a) contains a list of all Potential Transferred Agreements (including, to the extent in the possession or control of any Seller, the underlying agreements). Subject to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, Buyer may elect to have

the Potential Transferred Agreements assigned to Buyer or assumed by Seller and assigned to Buyer on the applicable Assumption Effective Date (which shall be deemed to be "Assigned Agreements" in accordance with the definition thereof). At Buyer's reasonable request, Seller shall make reasonably available to Buyer the appropriate employees of Seller necessary to discuss the Potential Transferred Agreements.

(ii) To the extent a Potential Transferred Agreement is an executory contract or lease, as soon as practicable after the date hereof, Seller shall file a notice of assignment and assumption (an "Agreement Assignment Notice") with the Bankruptcy Court and serve such notice via electronic or first class mail on each counterparty to a Potential Transferred Agreement that is an executory contract or lease, consistent with the terms of the Bidding Procedures Order. The Agreement Assignment Notice shall identify all Potential Transferred Agreements that are executory contracts or leases and related to the Acquired Assets that Sellers believe may be assigned or assumed and assigned in connection with the sale of the Acquired Assets and set forth a good faith estimate of the amount of the Cure Costs applicable to each such Contract (and if no Cure Cost is estimated to be applicable with respect to any particular Contract, the amount of such Cure Cost designated for such Contract shall be "\$0.00").

(b) Initial Assigned Agreements.

- (i) As soon as practicable after delivery of the list of Potential Transferred Agreements by the Seller but no later than five (5) Business Days following such delivery, Buyer shall deliver to the Seller a list of those Potential Transferred Agreements proposed to be assigned to Buyer or assumed by Seller and assigned to Buyer on the Closing Date (the Contracts on such list, the "Initial Assigned Contracts", the Leases on such list (including, to the extent applicable to such Leases, all non-disturbance agreements with fee owners or senior landlords, subordination, non-disturbance and attornment agreements, waivers and consents in favor of any Seller, estoppel certificates from landlords (to the extent assignable), and landlord waivers or other collateral access agreements in favor of any Seller or any asset-based lenders) the "Initial Assigned Leases", and together the "Initial Assigned Agreements").
- (ii) Following delivery of the list of Initial Assigned Agreements and to the extent consistent with the Bidding Procedures Order, at any time prior to the second (2nd) Business Day prior to the Closing Date, Buyer will be entitled, after consultation with the Sellers, to add (x) any Initial Assigned Agreement to the list of Excluded Assets by providing written notice thereof to Sellers, and any Initial Assigned Agreement so added will cease to be an Initial Assigned Agreement and will be deemed to be an Excluded Asset (and all Liabilities thereunder Excluded Liabilities) for all purposes hereunder or (y) any Potential Transferred Agreement to the list of Initial Assigned Agreements so long as (1) it is not a Contract to be assumed or available to be assumed pursuant to any other sale previously approved by the Bankruptcy Court in connection with the Bankruptcy Cases; and (2) it is prior to the entry of a Final Order of the Bankruptcy Court approving the rejection of such Contract, in each case subject to the non-Debtor party to such Contract receiving information evidencing Buyer's adequate

assurance of future performance and having an opportunity to object consistent with the Bidding Procedures Order and the Approval Order. No change referred to in this Section 2.7(b)(i) shall reduce or increase the amount of the Purchase Price, except to the extent of any increase or decrease in the assumption of the Assumed Liabilities, including Cure Costs, as a result of the Potential Transferred Agreements being added to or removed from the list of Acquired Leases or Assigned Agreements by Buyer.

- (iii) On the Closing Date, pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code and the Approval Order, and subject to consent if applicable Law requires it, Sellers shall assume and assign to Buyer the Initial Assigned Agreements and Buyer shall pay all Cure Costs with respect to such Initial Assigned Agreements to the appropriate counterparty or establish a reserve for disputed cure amounts in accordance with the Bidding Procedures Order and Approval Order.
- (c) <u>Designatable Leases</u>. On each Assumption Effective Date, pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code and the Approval Order, Sellers shall assume and assign to the applicable Assignee any Designatable Lease so designated by Buyer for assumption and assignment in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, and Buyer shall pay all or be responsible for Cure Costs with respect to such Designatable Leases.
- (d) Additional Contracts. On each applicable Assumption Effective Date, and in no event later than the date that is five (5) Business Days following the Designation Deadline, pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, the Approval Order, and any other applicable Order, Sellers shall assume and assign to the applicable Assignee any Additional Contract that Buyer designates for assumption and assignment in accordance with Section 2.9, and Buyer shall pay all Cure Costs with respect to such Additional Contract and all Expenses related to or arising under such Additional Contract after the Closing Date.
- (e) Adequate Assurance and Consents. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, Sellers shall not be obligated to assume and assign any Lease or Contract pursuant to this Section 2.7 with respect to which Buyer fails to satisfy the Bankruptcy Court as to adequate assurance of future performance or for which Consent is required to assume and assign such Lease or Contract and such Consent has not been obtained; provided, however, that the Parties shall use their commercially reasonable best efforts to obtain all such Consents.

Section 2.8 Further Assurances.

(a) On and after the Closing Date, each of the Sellers and Buyer shall use its commercially reasonable efforts to further give full effect to, evidence and record the assignments, waivers, ratifications, consents and agreements granted herein, and, Sellers shall, upon Buyer's request, assist Buyer in everya commercially reasonable way to obtain, maintain, enforce and defend any rights specified to be owned by or assigned to a Seller, including by testifying in any legal Proceedings, executing all lawful papers and making all rightful oaths required or necessary to aid Buyer or its successors or assigns in obtaining and enforcing its right, title and interest in, to and under the Acquired Assets, including in connection with the IP

Assignment Agreement and the Short Form Assignments and in complying with all requirements of the applicable social media sites and Domain Name registrars.

- On each Designation Assignment Date, Seller shall, upon the request of Buyer or the applicable Assignee, execute and deliver to such Assignee such instruments of transfer as shall be reasonably necessary or desirable to vest in such Assignee title to the applicable Designatable Leases and related Acquired Lease Rights, Acquired Improvements and all other related Acquired Assets required hereunder to be transferred on such Designation Assignment Date (and evidence the assumption by Seller, and the assignment by Seller to the applicable Assignee, of such Designatable Leases), and Seller, on the one hand, and such Assignee, on the other hand, shall (and Buyer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause each Assignee to) take (or cause to be taken) all appropriate action, do (or cause to be done) all things necessary under applicable Law, and execute and deliver such instruments and documents, in each case as may be reasonably requested and reasonably necessary or desirable to consummate the Transactions at or after the Designation Assignment Date. In furtherance and not in limitation of the foregoing, in the event that any of the Acquired Assets shall not have been conveyed at Closing or on the applicable Designation Assignment Date, as applicable, Seller shall convey such Acquired Assets to Buyer or such Assignee, as applicable, as promptly as practicable after the Closing or on the applicable Designation Assignment Date, as applicable. As promptly as practicable following the date on which Buyer is permitted to receive Customer Data constituting "personally identifiable information" (as defined in the Bankruptcy Code) that was not transferred on the Closing Date, Seller shall deliver to Buyer a copy of the Customer Data constituting Acquired Data to an extent and in a format mutually agreeable to Seller and Buyer that is readable, useable, indexed and searchable and, if any portion of such Customer Data is encrypted, the necessary decryption tools and keys to read such materials contemporaneously.
- (c) Not later than ten (10) days prior to the Closing Date, Sellers shall instruct all of Sellers' outside counsel responsible to maintaining, prosecuting or renewing any of the Acquired Intellectual Property (i) that the ownership of the Acquired Intellectual Property will be assigned to Buyer as of the Closing Date, (ii) to keep all Acquired Intellectual Property (as relevant to such counsel) in full force and effect, including by filing and documentation and paying any fees required therefor, (iii) to release to Buyer or counsel designated by Buyer at locations to be designated by Buyer copies of all the tangible embodiments of the Intellectual Property Related Documentation existing as of the Closing Date and in such counsel's possession, and (iv) that Buyer or counsel designated by Buyer may contact such Sellers' counsel for coordination relative to further prosecution of the Acquired Intellectual Property at Buyer's expense (such correspondence, "Seller Instructions"). Sellers shall also include in the Seller Instructions any other information that Buyer reasonably instructs Sellers to include that is communicated to Sellers prior to the Closing Date.
- (d) If after the Closing (i) Buyer or any of its Affiliates holds or is otherwise liable for any Excluded Assets or Excluded Liabilities or (ii) any Seller or any of their respective Affiliates holds any Acquired Assets or Assumed Liabilities, Buyer or the applicable Seller will, and will cause their respective controlled Affiliates to, and will use commercially reasonable efforts to cause their other Affiliates to, (including through the execution and delivery of all appropriate

transfer documents) promptly transfer (or cause to be transferred) such Assets or assume, pay or reimburse (or cause to be assumed, paid or reimbursed) such Liabilities to or from (as the case may be) the other party for no additional consideration. Prior to any such transfer, the party receiving or possessing any such asset will hold it in trust for such other party.

Additional Contracts. If, at any time prior to the date that is sixty (60) Section 2.9 days after the Closing Date, but in no event later than May 3, 2019 (the "Designation Deadline"), Buyer so determines as to any Contract that is Related to the Acquired Assets or is an IP License, in each case but is not an Initial Assigned Contract (other than (i) any lease of non-residential real property and (ii) any Excluded Asset set forth in Section 2.2) (each, an "Additional Contract"), Buyer may elect, after consultation with the Sellers, by written notice delivered to Sellers, to designate for assignment or assumption and assignment any Additional Contract for no additional consideration. Upon the designation of any such Additional Contract as an Assigned Agreement pursuant to this Section 2.9, Sellers will use their reasonable best efforts to assume and assign to the applicable Assignee such Additional Contract so long as the Buyer pays all Expenses accrued post-Closing and all Cure Costs associated with such Additional Contract; provided, however, that nothing herein shall be deemed or construed to obligate Sellers to retain, or refrain from rejecting or terminating any Lease or Contract after the Designation Deadline that does not constitute an Assigned Agreement. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, Sellers shall not be obligated to assume and assign any Contract pursuant to this Section 2.9 with respect to which Buyer fails to satisfy the Bankruptcy Court as to adequate assurance of future performance or for which Consent is required to assume and assign such Additional Contract and such Consent has not been obtained, provide that the Parties shall use their reasonable best efforts to obtain all such Consents.

Section 2.10 <u>Withholding</u>. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, Buyer shall be entitled to deduct and withhold from any amounts otherwise payable pursuant to this Agreement but only to the extent of such amounts as may be required to be deducted and withheld by Buyer with respect to the making of such payments under applicable U.S. federal, state or local or foreign laws, and any such withheld amount shall be properly paid by Buyer to the appropriate Governmental Authority. To the extent that amounts are so deducted and withheld amounts shall be treated for all purposes of this Agreement as having been paid to Sellers or any other Person in respect of which such deduction and withholding was made.

Section 2.11 Rejection of Outbound IP Licenses. Prior to the Closing Date, subject to section 365(n) of the Bankruptcy Code, Sellers shall file a motion to reject, and take all actions (including actions required under section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code) reasonably necessary to reject any Outbound IP Licenses included in the Potential Transferred Agreements that (i) are executory Contracts and (ii) are not designated by Buyer for assignment or assumption and assignment as an Assigned Agreement in accordance with the terms of this Agreement or for solely assumption pursuant to Section 9.14(d). Without limiting the foregoing, promptly following the Designation Deadline, Sellers shall file a motion to reject, and take all actions (including actions required under section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code) reasonably necessary to reject, any Outbound IP Licenses that (x) are not included in the Potential Transferred

Agreements, (y) are executory Contracts and (z) are not designated by Buyer for assignment or assumption and assignment as an Assigned Agreement in accordance with the terms of this Agreement or for solely assumption pursuant to Section 9.14(d).

Section 2.12 Tax Reorganization.

- (a) The Parties intend that the transactions set forth in this Agreement, as structured and implemented as described in Section 9.2(a), together with the Bankruptcy Plan (as defined below), will, unless and except to the extent that Buyer elects otherwise with respect to a particular Seller or Sellers pursuant to Section 2.12(b), (i) constitute one or more plans of reorganization under section 368(a) of the Code (as defined below) and (ii) as qualifying as one or more reorganizations thereunder (a "Tax Reorganization"). If Buyer does not elect pursuant to this Section 2.12(b) to treat all the transactions described in this Article II as Designated Sale Transactions (resulting in no transfer of Sellers' Tax attributes to Buyer), then Buyer and Sellers shall comply with Section 9.2.
- Buyer may, at any time on or before the earlier of (i) 15 days prior to the effective date of the Bankruptcy Plan and (ii) December 1, 2019, elect, by providing to Sellers written notice of its election, to treat one or more of the transactions (each, a "Designated Sale Transaction") set forth in this Agreement as not qualifying as a Tax Reorganization, which election shall be effective unless Designated Tax Advisor cannot provide a Tax Opinion that such Designated Sale Transaction can be completed in a manner that would not be treated as a "reorganization" within the meaning of section 368 of the Code; provided, however, that in connection with any such Buyer election to treat all the transactions described in this Article II as Designated Sale Transactions (resulting in no transfer of Sellers' Tax attributes to Buyer), the Parties shall, if requested by Sellers in writing, identify a business of the Sellers that would become part of the Excluded Assets and consider in good faith any other changes to the structure of the transaction that are reasonable and necessary as a commercial, bankruptcy law and other legal matter to achieve that result. If Buyer does not elect pursuant to this Section 2.12(b) to treat all the transactions described in this Article II as Designated Sale Transactions (resulting in no transfer of Sellers' Tax attributes to Buyer), then Buyer and Sellers shall comply with Section 9.2.
- Designated Tax Advisor to be provided by each of Buyer and Sellers in the form of a representation letter, and each such representation must continue to be true and accurate in all material respects as of immediately before such Tax Opinion is issued. To the extent requested by Designated Tax Advisor, each of Sellers and Buyer shall confirm to Designated Tax Advisor the accuracy and completeness, as of immediately before such Tax Opinion is issued, of the applicable representation letter. For the avoidance of doubt, and notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in this Agreement, (i) reliance by Sellers on any Tax Opinion requested or otherwise required pursuant to this Agreement shall not affect Buyer's liability for Taxes that are Assumed Liabilities and (ii) the inability or failure to deliver or receive any Tax Opinion requested or otherwise required pursuant to this Agreement shall not delay or in any way interfere with the consummation and closing of the Transactions. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in this Agreement, any transaction or transactions (including any

transaction described in clause (B) of Section 9.2(a) in respect of which any Tax Opinion is not or cannot be delivered as otherwise required under this Agreement (other than a Tax Opinion described in Section 2.12(b)) shall be deemed to be a Designated Sale Transaction.

Section 2.13 Foreign Assets.

- (a) On the Closing Date, Sellers shall use reasonable best efforts to cause each of the Foreign Subsidiaries to sell, transfer, assign, convey and deliver, or cause to be sold, transferred assigned, conveyed and delivered to Buyer or the applicable Assignee, and Buyer or such applicable Assignee shall use reasonable best efforts to purchase, all right, title and interest of each of the Foreign Subsidiaries, in, to or under all assets, properties and rights Related to the Business other than the Excluded Assets and any other assets of the type that would have been Acquired Assets had they had been owned by Sellers as of the Closing Date (collectively, the "Acquired Foreign Assets"), in each case free and clear of any and all Encumbrances of any kind, nature or description and any Claims, other than Permitted Post-Closing Encumbrances. If the transfer of any Acquired Foreign Assets does not occur at the Closing Date, Seller and Buyer shall use reasonable best efforts to complete such transfer as promptly as practicable following the Closing Date and shall enter into such agreements as may be reasonably required to provide Buyer or the applicable Assignee the benefit of such assets until such transfer is consummated.
- (b) If, at any time prior to the date that is sixty (60) days after the Closing Date, but in no event later than May 3, 2019, Buyer determines (in its sole discretion) that it is necessary or desirable to acquire the equity interests of any Foreign Subsidiary so as to ensure that Buyer or the applicable Assignee shall be able to secure the benefit of the applicable Foreign Assets, Buyer may elect, by written notice delivered to Sellers, to acquire such equity interests directly from Seller. Following any such election, Buyer and Seller shall promptly execute all documentation required to effectuate the purchase and sale of such equity interests under applicable Law.
- (c) No purchase of Acquired Foreign Assets or equity interests pursuant to this Section 2.13 shall require the delivery of any additional consideration by Buyer; provided, that solely to the extent required by applicable Law, Buyer and Seller shall reasonably agree to either (a) allocate a portion of the Purchase Price to the purchase of such equity interests or (b) provide for nominal consideration to be paid by Buyer to Sellers in an amount no greater than the minimum amount required by applicable Law.
- Section 2.14 <u>Bulk Transfer Law</u>. The Parties intend that pursuant to Section 363(f) of the Bankruptcy Code, the transfer of the Acquired Assets shall be free and clear of any security interests in the Acquired Assets, including any liens or claims arising out of the bulk transfer Laws. In furtherance of the foregoing, each Party hereby waives, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable Law, compliance by the Parties with the "bulk sales," "bulk transfers" or similar Laws in all applicable jurisdictions in respect of the Transactions (including under any applicable Tax Laws).

ARTICLE III

PURCHASE PRICE

- Section 3.1 <u>Purchase Price</u>. [The aggregate purchase price for the purchase, sale, assignment and conveyance of Sellers' right, title and interest in, to and under the Acquired Assets shall consist of the following (collectively, the "Purchase Price"):
 - (a) cash in an amount (the "Closing Payment Amount") equal to:
 - (i) the Receivables Purchase Price; plus
 - (ii) the Inventory Purchase Price; plus
 - (iii) the Release Consideration; less
 - (iv) the amount of any Transfer Taxes as estimated by the Parties in accordance with Section 9.3(a); less
 - (v) the aggregate amount of (A) the credit bid set forth in Section 3.1(b)(ii) plus (B) the cash amount (if any) set forth in Section 3.1(c);
- (b) subject to Bankruptcy Court approval, a credit bid pursuant to Section 363(k) of the Bankruptcy Code of:
 - (i) all outstanding obligations held by Buyer and its Affiliates as of the Closing Date under: (A) the IP/Ground Lease Term Loan Facility; (B) the FILO Facility; and (C) the Real Estate Loan 2020, *plus*
 - (ii) obligations as of the Closing Date under (x) the Second Lien Term Loan; (y) the Second Lien Line of Credit Facility; and (z) the Second Lien PIK Notes, in an amount equal to 433,450,000; 12

in the case of each of (i) and (ii) in exchange for the collateral pledged to secure the applicable debt obligations, including any proceeds from the sale or other disposition of such collateral prior to the Closing Date to which the Liens securing such debt obligations are attached, in the same order of priority and with the same validity, force and effect as the original Liens; plus

(c) cash in the amount of the outstanding obligations owed to lenders other than Buyer or its Affiliates as of the Closing Date under (A) the IP/Ground Lease Term Loan Facility (the "IP/Ground Lease Buyout Amount"); (B) the FILO Facility (the "FILO Facility Buyout Amount"); and (C) the Real Estate Loan 2020 (the "Real Estate Loan 2020 Buyout Amount")

¹² Note to Sellers: As discussed, revised Purchase Price provisions to be reflected on a schedule. Economics of purchase price components (including credit bid) remain open business points.

unless such lender(s) provide written confirmation to the Sellers that such cash payment and the obligations owed to lenders by the Seller under the IP/Ground Lease Term Loan Facility, the FILO Facility or the Real Estate Loan 2020, as applicable, are permanently waived and discharged against the Sellers; plus

- (d) the Securities Consideration;
- (e) the Junior DIP Consideration;
- (f) the L/C Facility Consideration; and
- (g) the assumption by Buyer of the Assumed Liabilities in accordance with Section 3.5.

To the extent payable, the IP/Ground Lease Buyout Amount, the FILO Facility Buyout Amount and the Real Estate Loan 2020 Buyout Amount shall each be deposited and held in separate segregated accounts of the Debtors and the Liens of the lenders other than Buyer or its Affiliates under IP/Ground Lease Term Loan Facility or the Real Estate Loan 2020, as applicable, shall attach to the cash proceeds held in the applicable designated segregated account in the same order of priority and with the same validity, force and effect as the original Liens of such lenders, and such proceeds shall be released to such lenders within two business days following the Closing Date and shall not otherwise be used by the Debtors without further order of the Bankruptcy Court.

Section 3.2 <u>Cash Deposit</u>. On or prior to January 9, 2019, Buyer paid an aggregate amount in cash equal to \$120,000,000 (the "<u>Deposit Amount</u>") by wire transfer of immediately available funds into an escrow account maintained by Citibank, N.A. as Escrow Agent. Buyer's and Sellers' right to retain the Deposit Amount in the event of a termination of this Agreement shall be governed by Section 12.2.

Section 3.3 Closing Payment.

- (a) At the Closing, Buyer shall:
- (i) pay to Sellers by wire transfer of immediately available funds into one or more accounts designated by Sellers an amount in cash equal to the Closing Payment Amount *less* the Deposit Amount and the Expense Reimbursement Amount plus any amounts payable pursuant to Section 3.1(c); and
 - (ii) deliver the Securities Consideration to the Sellers.
- Section 3.4 <u>Inventory; Receivables [Reserved]</u>. 13

¹³ Note to Draft: Under Buyer review.

- (a) [Commencing at 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on a date or dates that the Parties shall mutually agree in writing (but in no event earlier than ten (10) Business Days prior to the Closing or later than two (2) Business Days prior to the Closing) (the date of such inventory taking, the "Inventory Date"), a physical count of the Acquired Inventory, and calculation of the value thereof, shall be made by a nationally-recognized, independent inventory service (the "Inventory Taker") selected and engaged by Sellers and approved by Buyer (such approval not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed). The Inventory Taker will conduct the physical inventory in accordance with instructions set forth in Schedule 3.4(a) and otherwise in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Section 3.4. Each Party shall be entitled to have Representatives present during the inventory and the fees and expenses of the Inventory Taker shall be borne fifty percent (50%) by Buyer and fifty percent (50%) by Sellers. The physical inventory shall not include the Excluded Inventory.
- (b) The complete inventory prepared by the Inventory Taker shall be prepared in accordance with the usual and customary practices of the industry and shall show the total Cost Value of the Acquired Inventory determined in the manner provided in accordance with Schedule 3.4(a). In the event that the Parties do not agree on the value of any Acquired Inventory because the Parties disagree as to whether certain items should be counted as Excluded Inventory or as to the relevant Cost Value of any Acquired Inventory, the opinion of the Inventory Taker shall be final and binding.]¹³
- Section 3.5 <u>Discharge of Assumed Liabilities After Closing</u>. From and after the later of the Closing or the applicable Assumption Effective Date, Buyer shall pay, perform, discharge and satisfy the Assumed Liabilities from time to time and as such Assumed Liabilities become due and payable or are required to be performed, discharged or satisfied, in each case in accordance with their respective terms.

ARTICLE IV

CLOSING

Section 4.1 <u>Closing Date</u>. The closing of the sale, transfer, assignment, conveyance and delivery of the Designation Rights and Sellers' right, title and interest in, to and under the Acquired Assets by Sellers to Buyer contemplated hereby (the "<u>Closing</u>") shall take place at the offices of Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP, 767 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10153, or at such other place or time as Buyer and Sellers may mutually agree, on the <u>fifththird</u> (<u>5th3rd</u>) Business Day following satisfaction or waiver of the conditions set forth in Article X and Article XI (other than those conditions that by their nature are to be satisfied by actions taken at the Closing, but subject to the satisfaction or waiver of such conditions at the Closing)—<u>provided</u>, however, that Nnotwithstanding the <u>immediately preceding sentence</u>, if the Marketing Period has not ended at the time offoregoing, the Closing shall not prior to the earlier to occur of (x) any Business Day as

¹³ Note to Draft: Inventory Taking section to be revised to match SHC procedures consistent with borrowing base calculations.

may be specified by Buyer on no less than two (2) Business Days' prior written notice to Sellers and (y) the later of (i) February 8, 2019 and (ii) two (2) Business Days following the first date on which Buyer shall have received the Required Information pursuant to Section 8.4 (subject, in each case, to the satisfaction or waiver of the conditions set forth in Article X and Article XI (other than those conditions that by their nature are to be satisfied by actions taken at the Closing, but subject to the satisfaction or waiver of such conditions at the Closing), then the Closing shall occur instead on the date that is the earlier to occur of (x) any Business Day as may be specified by Buyer on no less than two (2) Business Days' prior written notice to Sellers and (y) two (2) Business Days following the final day of the Marketing Period.) The date and time at which the Closing actually occurs is referred to as the "Closing Date."

Section 4.2 <u>Buyer's Deliveries</u>. At the Closing, Buyer shall deliver to Sellers:

- (a) the Closing Payment Amount *less* the Deposit Amount and the Expense Reimbursement Amount in accordance with Section 3.3;
 - (b) the Securities Consideration;
- (c) the certificates of Buyer to be received by Sellers pursuant to <u>Sections 11.1</u> and 11.2;
 - (d) the Occupancy Agreement, duly executed by Buyer;
 - (e) the Management and Services Agreement, duly executed by Buyer; and
- (f) such assignments and other good and sufficient instruments of assumption and transfer, in form reasonably satisfactory to Sellers and Buyer, which are reasonably requested by Seller to (i) transfer to Buyer all the right, title and interest of Sellers in, to or under the Acquired Assets to be acquired on the Closing Date in accordance with this Agreement and (ii) properly give effect to Buyer's assumption of all of the Assumed Liabilities in accordance with this Agreement.

Section 4.3 Sellers' Deliveries. At the Closing, Sellers shall deliver to Buyer:

- (a) a copy of the Approval Order entered by the Bankruptcy Court;
- (b) the certificates of Sellers to be received by Buyer pursuant to <u>Sections 10.1</u> and 10.2;
- (c) a certificate of non-foreign status executed by each Seller (or, if a Seller is a disregarded entity for U.S. federal income Tax purposes, by the Person treated as the owner of such Seller for U.S. federal income Tax purposes) [that is a "United States person" within the

meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code]¹⁴, substantially in the form of the sample certification in Treasury Regulations Section 1.1445-2(b)(2)(iv)(B);

- (d) all items required to be delivered pursuant to Section 9.9;
- (e) a quit-claim deed to be recorded with respect to the Owned Real Property;
- (f) such assignments and other good and sufficient instruments of assumption and transfer, in form reasonably satisfactory to Sellers and Buyer, which are reasonably requested by Buyer to (i) transfer to Buyer all the right, title and interest of Sellers in, to or under the Acquired Assets to be acquired on the Closing Date in accordance with this Agreement and (ii) properly give effect to Buyer's assumption of all of the Assumed Liabilities in accordance with this Agreement;
 - (g) all Intellectual Property Related Documentation;
- (h) all tangible embodiments of the Acquired Intellectual Property, including all (i) Software object code and source code related thereto, (ii) all materials and documentation (in electronic and editable form, to the extent existing in such form) necessary for the use, modification, manufacture, sale and other exploitation of the Acquired Intellectual Property, to the extent not included in Intellectual Property Related Documentation, (iii) all content made available on or through any websites and webpages accessed through any Domain Names or Medical Accounts included in the Acquired Intellectual Property and all other audio-visual or written materials (including such archival materials) produced by or on behalf of Sellers, (iv) all Labeling and Marketing Materials and (v) all Product Catalogs and Manuals;
- (i) to the extent the sale and transfer of such data is not in contravention with applicable Law, all Acquired Data in the format in which it exists and, if any portion of such Acquired Data is encrypted, the necessary decryption tools and keys to read such materials contemporaneously; and
- (j) a counterpart of the IP Assignment Agreement, duly executed by each applicable Seller;
- (k) unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Parties between signing and Closing, a counterpart of each Short Form Assignment, duly executed by each applicable Seller;
- (l) a counterpart of each IP Power of Attorney, duly executed by each applicable Seller;
 - (m) the Occupancy Agreement, duly executed by the applicable Sellers;

 $^{^{14}}$ Note to Draft: To be deleted if there are no foreign Sellers.

- (n) the Management and Services Agreement, duly executed by the applicable Sellers;
- (o) the Payoff Letters (including UCC terminations or authorization to file UCC terminations and other filings); and
- (p) subject to <u>Section 9.14</u>, certificates representing the KCD Notes in proper form for transfer, free and clear of all liens.
- Section 4.4 <u>Local Sale Agreements</u>. Subject to the terms and conditions hereof, to the extent necessary or desirable to effect the Closing on the terms hereof, Buyer or applicable Assignee and relevant Sellers shall, enter into such agreements or instruments, including a sale agreement and quit-claim deed for the Owned Real Property and bills of sale and/or assignment and assumption agreements, providing for the sale, transfer, assignment or other conveyance to Buyer or applicable Assignee, in accordance with the requirements of applicable local Law.

ARTICLE V

DESIGNATION RIGHTS PERIOD

Section 5.1 <u>Parties' Respective Obligations Before and During Designation Rights</u>
Period.

(a) Sellers' Obligations.

- (i) Sellers shall pay when due any and all Occupancy Expenses with respect to each Lease Premises and the related Lease solely to the extent arising during the period commencing on the Petition Date through, in the case of any Operating Leased Property, the Closing Date, and in the case of any GOB Leased Store, the end of the GOB Period for such GOB Leased Store, at such times and in such amounts as are required under the terms of the applicable Lease and any other applicable agreement pertaining to such Property. Sellers shall not pay any amount due from Sellers pursuant to any provision of this Agreement using any security deposit associated with any Lease Premises, Lease or other Lease Premises-related agreement or, to the extent so paid prior to Closing, Buyer, as Buyer's sole remedy, will be entitled to a credit against the Purchase Price for any amounts so applied (except that Buyer shall be entitled to invoke other remedies if such credit is not duly applied at Closing).
- (ii) From the date hereof through (A) the Closing Date with respect to each Operating Leased Property and (B) the end of the applicable GOB Period with respect to each GOB Leased Store, Sellers shall use commercially reasonable efforts to maintain and preserve each Lease Premises, each Lease and all related Potential Acquired Assets in a condition substantially similar to their condition as of October 15, 2018, other than reasonable wear and tear, casualty and condemnation (which shall be governed by Section 12.3). During the Designation Rights Period, Sellers shall not without Buyer's consent, and shall not solicit any other Person to, (A) sell, transfer, assign, convey, lease, license, mortgage, pledge or otherwise encumber any Lease Premises, related Lease or

related Potential Acquired Asset (other than sales of Inventory by Buyer in accordance with Section 5.1(c), Permitted Encumbrances and any applicable statutory liens (solely to the extent that such Lease or related Potential Acquired Asset will be transferred free and clear of such statutory liens pursuant to the Approval Order)), (B) amend, supplement or modify in any fashion (or terminate or enter into) any Designatable Lease (provided that Sellers shall use reasonable best efforts to comply with instructions from Buyer as to the renewal (or lack of renewal) of each Lease that comes up for renewal), (C) grant or terminate any other interests in any Lease Premises, related Lease or related Potential Acquired Asset (other than sales of Inventory located at such Lease Premises in the Ordinary Course of Business), (D) cancel or compromise any claim or waive or release any right, in each case that is related to any Lease Premises or any related Potential Acquired Assets (for the avoidance of doubt, other than any Excluded Assets), (E) except following receipt of a Buyer Rejection Notice in accordance with Section 5.3, seek or obtain an order approving rejection of a Designatable Lease (which, shall in no way affect Sellers' rights to seek or obtain an order approving rejection in connection with any of Sellers' assets other than the Lease Premises), (F) take any action with respect to Taxes or Tax matters that is not in the Ordinary Course of Business that could reasonably be expected to result in (I) an Encumbrance on any Lease Premises or related Potential Acquired Assets (unless such Lease or related Potential Acquired Asset will be transferred free and clear of such Encumbrances pursuant to the applicable Lease Assignment Order) or (II) an increase in the Tax Liability of Buyer or any of its Affiliates, or (G) enter into any agreement or commitment to take any action prohibited by this Section 5.1(a)(ii).

- (iii) From the date hereof through the end of the Designation Rights Period, Sellers shall continue to make available to Buyer the data room made available to Buyer prior to the date hereof, and Sellers shall use commercially reasonable efforts to post to such data room copies of all material notices received by Sellers with respect to any Designatable Leases during the Designation Rights Period. From the date hereof through the end of the Designation Rights Period, subject to the terms of the Occupancy Agreement, Sellers shall make available to Buyer reasonable access to the Lease Premises for the Designatable Leases at such times as Buyer or its agents may reasonably request, provided that prior to the Closing Date there is no unreasonable interference with Sellers' use and occupancy.
- (iv) From the date hereof through the (A) Closing with respect to the Initial Assigned Leases and (B) the end of the Designation Rights Period with respect to the Designatable Leases, Sellers shall reasonably cooperate with Buyer at no cost, expense or Liability to Sellers with regard to all negotiations between Buyer and the landlords under the applicable Leases, but Sellers will not be required to enter into any agreements with such landlords or expend any costs in connection with such negotiations (other than any costs that Buyer has agreed in writing to reimburse Seller).
- (v) With respect to the Lease Premises which Leases are Designatable Leases, Sellers shall continue all existing insurance policies with respect to such Lease Premises

or policies providing similar coverage to the extent available at commercially reasonable rates during the Designation Rights Period and in all instances shall maintain all insurance required to be maintained under any Lease, and shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause Buyer to be named as a loss payee or additional insured, as applicable, with respect to all such policies, which premiums and other amounts due to such insurance companies to maintain such insurance policies during the Designation Rights Period shall be Occupancy Expenses. Sellers shall (i) hold in escrow all insurance recoveries and all warranty and condemnation proceeds received or receivable after the date hereof with respect to such Lease Premises or such related Leases for events occurring during the Designation Rights Period, and (ii) following the Designation Rights Period shall pay any such recoveries or proceeds to Buyer to the extent relating to any Acquired Lease. In connection with any payment of recoveries or proceeds under this Section 5.1(a)(v), (i) such payment of recoveries or proceeds shall not include any recoveries or proceeds to the extent attributable to lost rents or similar costs applicable to any period prior to the Closing or paid in connection with repair, restoration or replacement during such period, and (ii) to the extent that Buyer has received written notice thereof in reasonable detail not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the end of the Designation Rights Period, such payment of recoveries or proceeds shall be reduced by the amount of (x) all actual and documented, reasonable out of pocket repair costs incurred by Sellers in connection with the repair or restoration of such damage or destruction, (y) all actual and documented, reasonable out of pocket collection costs of Sellers respecting any awards or other proceeds, and (z) any amounts required to be paid (and solely to the extent actually paid) by Sellers or the insurance company to the applicable landlord under the Lease, if applicable, or to such landlord's lender as required pursuant to any of such lender's financing, as applicable. For the avoidance of doubt, the costs of such policies allocable to, in the case of the GOB Leased Stores for the period following the end of the GOB Period for each such GOB Leased Store and in the case of the Owned Leased Stores following the Closing Date, the Designation Rights Periodany other costs of the policies shall be borne by Buyer and shall otherwise be borne by Sellers. During the Designation Rights Period, Sellers shall use commercially reasonable efforts to provide Buyer with notice of any Casualty / Condemnation Event within three (3) Business Days of the occurrence of such Casualty / Condemnation Event.

- (vi) From the date hereof through the end of the Designation Rights Period, at Buyer's specific written request, and at no cost, expense or Liability to Sellers, Sellers will take such actions as Buyer may reasonably request to cause each landlord under the Designatable Leases to perform such party's covenants, agreements and obligations (including repair and maintenance obligations and obligations to maintain insurance with respect to such Lease Premises and any shopping center or mall in which any such Lease Premises is located) under the respective Designatable Leases.
- (vii) From the date hereof through the Closing Date, Sellers shall perform repairs and maintenance and provide security services at the Properties in substantially the same manner and to the same extent in place as of the date hereof (for the avoidance of

doubt, the costs of providing such repairs, maintenance and security services prior to the Closing Date shall be borne by Sellers.

(viii) From the date hereof through the end of the Designation Rights Period, Sellers shall maintain, as an Occupancy Expense, the effectiveness of and, to the extent expiring, renew, all Plans and Permits with regard to the Properties.

(b) Buyer's Obligations.

- (i) Buyer shall pay (or reimburse Sellers) (subject to the restrictions set forth herein) all Expenses with respect to the Designatable Leases.
- (ii) Buyer will, as soon as reasonably practicable, but in no event later than the Designation Deadline, identify to Seller any Designatable Leases that Buyer has determined will not be designated for assumption and assignment pursuant to the Designation Rights and Seller shall be free to dispose of such Designatable Leases in its sole discretion.

(c) Operation of Lease Premises.

- (i) The operation of the Lease Premises related to the (A) Operating Leased Property during the Designation Rights Period and (b) with respect to each GOB Leased Store following the end of the <u>applicable</u> GOB Period <u>for each such GOB Leased Store</u> and ending at the end of the Designation Rights Period, shall in each case be governed by an Occupancy Agreement in the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit D</u>, and Buyer shall conduct such operation pursuant to such Occupancy Agreement, including the sale of the Acquired Inventory at such Lease Premises related to the Designatable Leases, as Buyer determines in its sole discretion, including by (A) conducting liquidation sales at any or all of such Lease Premises related to the Designatable Leases or (B) operating the Lease Premises pursuant to the Occupancy Agreement.
- (ii) The operation of the Lease Premises related to the GOB Leased Owned Stores during the GOB Period shall be governed by the Seller Retained Occupancy Agreement and Seller shall conduct such operation pursuant to such Seller Retained Occupancy Agreement as Seller determines in its sole discretion.

Section 5.2 Assumption.

(a) Following Closing, at any time on or prior to the Designation Deadline, Buyer shall have the right, which right may be exercised at any time and from time to time, in consultation with the Sellers, to designate such Designatable Lease for assumption and assignment and shall provide notice to Sellers executed by Buyer and the Assignee (a "Buyer Assumption Notice") of Buyer's election to require Sellers to assume such Designatable Leases and assign the same to the Assignee identified in such Buyer Assumption Notice; provided that Buyer shall pay all Cure Costs associated with any assumption and assignment of any such Designatable Leases in accordance with the terms of Section 2.7; provided further, that the

Assignee shall agree, pursuant to the Buyer Assumption Notice, to assume Buyer's obligations under this Agreement in relation to the relevant Designatable Lease. The Buyer Assumption Notice shall provide the following information: (1) the Designatable Leases being assumed and assigned and (2) the identity of the applicable Assignee(s).

- Within five (5) Business Days following the date upon which Buyer delivers a Buyer Assumption Notice to Sellers with respect to any Designatable Lease, together with a related assignment agreement substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit E (the "Assignment and Assumption of Lease") executed by the applicable Assignee, Sellers shall (1) deliver to Buyer and such Assignee a fully executed Assignment and Assumption of Lease and (2) file with the Bankruptcy Court and serve on the applicable lessor(s) and other appropriate notice parties (as applicable) a notice, and shall seek entry by the Bankruptcy Court of the Approval Order in respect of the Designatable Leases subject to such Buyer Assumption Notice; provided, that, in no event shall any Designation Assignment Date be prior to the Inventory Date. As of the applicable Designation Assignment Date, except for such obligations and liabilities with respect to such Designatable Leases and the related Lease Premises arising during the Designation Rights Period and except for Buyer's obligations specifically set forth in this Agreement, as between Buyer and the Assignee, Buyer shall have no further obligation or Liability with respect to such Designatable Lease or the related Lease Premises (including any obligation to continue to pay Expenses with respect thereto) and Assignee shall thereafter be solely responsible for all amounts payable or other obligations or liabilities that may be owed in connection with such Designatable Lease or the related Lease Premises; provided, however, that nothing in this sentence shall affect Sellers' rights against Buyer with respect to such Designatable Lease or the Lease Premises as set forth in this Agreement.
- (c) Upon Buyer's request prior to the last day of the Designation Rights Period (provided that the Assignee shall have notified Sellers as to the particular Assignment Instruments and Assignment Actions to be delivered and taken at least two (2) Business Days prior thereto), Sellers shall deliver to the applicable Assignee instruments reasonably necessary or desirable (as reasonably agreed between Sellers and Assignee) providing for the assignment, conveyance and delivery to such Assignee of the applicable Designatable Lease, together with the related Acquired Assets, in each case free and clear of all Encumbrances of any and every kind, nature and description, other than Permitted Encumbrances (the "Assignment Instruments") and shall otherwise take such actions as are reasonably necessary or desirable (as reasonably agreed by Seller and such Assignee) in order to cause such sale, transfer, assignment, conveyance and delivery to become effective (collectively, the "Assignment Actions"); provided, however, that Buyer shall be solely responsible for all Cure Costs in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.
- (d) The effective date of the sale, transfer, assignment, conveyance and delivery by Sellers to such Assignee of a Designatable Lease and related assets pursuant to this Agreement and the applicable Assignment and Assumption of Lease shall be the "Designation Assignment Date" with respect to such Lease and related assets.
 - (e) With respect to any Designatable Lease designated in a Buyer Assumption Notice:

- (i) Sellers, at no cost, expense or Liability to Sellers, and Buyer shall each use (and Buyer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause Assignee to use) commercially reasonable efforts to accomplish, and shall fully cooperate with each other in, the resolution of any objections to the proposed assumption and assignment of such Designatable Lease and related assets;
- (ii) Buyer shall cause Assignee to provide evidence (A) of adequate assurance of future performance within the meaning of section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, (B) that Assignee is a good faith purchaser for purposes of section 363(m) of the Bankruptcy Code, including, in both cases, through the provision of such financial information and/or the filing of such affidavits or declarations with the Bankruptcy Court as may reasonably be requested by Sellers, or (C) any other information as may be required by the Bidding Procedures Order; and
- (iii) Buyer shall pay or be responsible for all Cure Costs and Expenses and pay and perform the other obligations of Buyer set forth in this Agreement.
- (f) Except as otherwise set forth in this <u>Article V</u>, each Person shall bear their own costs and expenses in respect of obtaining entry of the Approval Order and otherwise implementing the sale, transfer, assignment, conveyance and delivery of the applicable Lease and related assets to the applicable Assignee, including the filing and prosecution of any motions or other papers with respect to the same.

Section 5.3 Election Not to Assume and Assign a Designatable Lease.

- (a) At any time before the date that is five (5) Business Days on or before the Designation Deadline, Buyer shall in accordance with the terms of this Agreement provide notice to Sellers (each such notice, a "Buyer Rejection Notice") of Buyer's election not to have such Designatable Lease assumed and assigned.
- (b) Within five (5) Business Days following the date upon which Buyer delivers a Buyer Rejection Notice to Sellers with respect to the applicable Lease, Buyer shall vacate the applicable Property and deliver to Sellers the keys to such Property, if in the possession of Buyer. As of the date that is the later of (i) the date Buyer vacates the applicable Property and delivers to Sellers the keys to such Property, if in the possession of Buyer and (ii) five (5) Business Days after the date of the Buyer Rejection Notice, Buyer shall have no further obligation or liability with respect to the applicable Lease, Contract or Lease Premises, except with respect to obligations and liabilities with respect to such Lease, Contract, or Lease Premises arising during the Designation Rights Period, and Sellers shall thereafter be solely responsible for all amounts payable or other obligations or liabilities that may be owed in connection with such Lease, Contract or Lease Premises.

ARTICLE VI

REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF SELLERS

Except as set forth in the Schedules delivered as of the date hereof by Sellers to Buyer and except as relates to a matter involving a Buyer Related Party (as to which no representation or warranty is being made), Sellers hereby, jointly and severally, represent and warrant to Buyer that the statements contained in this Article VI are true and correct as of the date hereof:

Section 6.1 Organization and Good Standing. Each Seller is an entity duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the Laws of the jurisdiction of its organization. Subject to the limitations imposed on such Seller as a result of the Filing, each Seller has the requisite corporate, partnership or limited liability company power and authority to own or lease and to operate and use its properties and to carry on its business as now conducted. Each Seller is duly qualified or licensed to do business and is in good standing in each jurisdiction where a Property is located where the character of its business or the nature of its properties requires such qualification or licensing, except where the failure to be so qualified or licensed or to be in good standing would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

Authority; Validity; Consents. Each Seller has, subject to requisite Section 6.2 Bankruptcy Court approval, as applicable, the requisite corporate, partnership or limited liability company power and authority necessary to enter into and perform its obligations under this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents to which it is, or will become, a party and to consummate the Transactions. This Agreement has been duly and validly executed and delivered by each Seller and each other Transaction Document required to be executed and delivered by Sellers at any time will be duly and validly executed and delivered by each Seller. Subject to requisite Bankruptcy Court approval, as applicable, this Agreement and (when duly executed by Sellers) the other Transaction Documents constitute, with respect to each Seller, the legal, valid and binding obligations of such Seller, enforceable against such Seller in accordance with their respective terms, except as such enforceability is limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or similar laws now or hereafter in effect relating to creditors' rights generally or general principles of equity. Subject to, and after giving effect to, requisite Bankruptcy Court approval (including the Approval Order) no Seller is required to give any notice to, make any filing with or obtain any consent from any Person (including any Governmental Authority) in connection with the execution and delivery of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents or the consummation or performance of any of the Transactions, except for (i) expiration or termination of any applicable waiting periods under the HSR Act and (ii) such notices, filings and consents, the failure of which to provide, make or obtain, would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 6.3 No Conflict. When the Approval Order and the consents and other actions described in Section 6.2 have been obtained and taken, the execution and delivery of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents and the consummation of the Transactions will not result in the material breach of any of the terms and provisions of, or constitute a default under, or conflict with, or require consent or the giving of a notice under, or cause any

acceleration of any obligation of Sellers under (a) any Order, (b) any Law or (c) the organizational documents of any Seller except, with respect to (a) or (b), as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 6.4 Environmental Matters. Except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, to Sellers' Knowledge, (i) none of the Acquired Properties has been used by any Person as a landfill or storage. treatment, or disposal site for any type of Hazardous Substance or non-hazardous solid wastes as defined under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976, as amended, in a manner which would reasonably be expected to result in any Seller incurring liabilities under Environmental Laws; (ii) the use by each Seller of the Acquired Properties is, and since the beginning of the Current Fiscal Year has been, in compliance with all Environmental Laws and Environmental Permits, except for such non-compliance that has not been, and would reasonably be expected to result in any Seller incurring liabilities under Environmental Laws; and (iii) none of the Acquired Assets is subject to any pending Action alleging that any Acquired Assets or Seller, with respect to the Acquired Assets, is in violation of any Environmental Law or Environmental Permit that would reasonably be expected to result in any Seller incurring liabilities under Environmental Laws. Since the beginning of the Current Fiscal Year, the Sellers have not received any written notice threatening any Action alleging that any Seller is in violation of any Environmental Law or Environmental Permit in respect of any Acquired Property that would reasonably be expected, individually or in the aggregate, to have a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 6.5 <u>Title to Acquired Assets.</u>

- (a) Except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, Sellers (directly or indirectly) have good title to, or, in the case of Potential Acquired Assets that are leased by Sellers, a valid leasehold interest in, all of the Potential Acquired Assets, free and clear of all Encumbrances, except for Permitted Encumbrances.
- (b) Sellers shall (i) with respect to the Owned Real Property, the Business and the Acquired Assets, upon delivery to Buyer on the Closing Date of the instruments of transfer contemplated by Section 4.3 and (ii) with respect to any Potential Acquired Assets related to any Acquired Lease Premises, upon delivery to the applicable Assignee of the instruments of transfer contemplated by an applicable Assignment and Assumption of Lease, and in each case subject to the terms of the Approval Order, thereby transfer to Buyer or the applicable Assignee, as applicable, good (and, in the case of owned real property, marketable fee simple) title to, or, in the case of Potential Acquired Assets that are leased by Sellers, a valid leasehold interest in, all of the Potential Acquired Assets, free and clear of all Encumbrances, except for Permitted Encumbrances.

Section 6.6 Real Property.

(a) Except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, Sellers have good and marketable fee title to the Owned Real

Property, free and clear of all liens (except for Permitted Encumbrances). None of the Owned Real Property is subject to any leases or tenancies or other rights of occupancy.

- (b) Except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, (i) there is no pending condemnation proceeding, administrative action or judicial proceeding of any type relating to the Owned Real Property or other matters affecting adversely the current use, occupancy or value of the Owned Real Property and (ii) neither the current use of the Owned Real Property nor the operations of Sellers violates any applicable legal requirements.
- The Initial Assigned Leases and the Designatable Leases constitute all leases and (c) material Security Deposit Documents with respect to any real property for the Lease Premises. On or before the date hereof, Sellers have delivered or made available to Buyer true and complete copies of all Leases and Security Deposit Documents for the Lease Premises (it being agreed that, while Sellers shall use reasonable best efforts to deliver or make available to Buyer all such documents, Sellers shall not be deemed to have breached this representation if, in the case of Security Deposit Documents, lease amendments, non-disturbance agreements, subordination, non-disturbance and attornment agreements, waivers and consents in favor of any Seller and estoppel certificates from landlords, Sellers shall have only delivered or made available to Buyer true and complete copies of only those of the same which are material). There are no material agreements, understandings or undertakings pertaining to the Leases, the Security Deposits, the Security Deposit Documents, the Sellers' leasehold interest in the Properties, the Lease Premises or Sellers' use or occupation of the Lease Premises or any portion thereof which are in Sellers' possession which have not been disclosed to Buyer or made available in the data room made available to Buyer prior to the date hereof. To Sellers' Knowledge, no Person that is not a Seller has any right to possess, use or occupy the Lease Premises.
- (d) Each of the Leases is legal, valid, binding and enforceable against Sellers party thereto and, to Sellers' Knowledge, against each other party thereto, in accordance with its terms (except for any direct or indirect restriction, limitation or condition on Sellers' assignment of the Leases to Buyer which shall not be of any force or effect pursuant to the Approval Order), and, subject to the entry of the Approval Order and payment of the Cure Costs and other than solely as a result of the filing of the Bankruptcy Cases or the financial condition of Holdings or its Subsidiaries, to Sellers' Knowledge, no event of default currently exists thereunder by any counterparty thereto, and no event has occurred thereunder that after the giving of notice or the passage of any applicable cure period or both would constitute an event of default of Sellers or, to Sellers' Knowledge, any other party thereto, and no Seller has delivered or received any written notice from the other party to any such Lease of the termination or surrender thereof, and the Leases have not been amended, modified or supplemented, except to the extent, in each case as described in this Section 6.6(d), that the failure of the same to be true would not in the aggregate reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.
- (e) There are no pending condemnation or eminent domain proceedings or any proceedings in lieu thereof against any of the Lease Premises, Owned Real Property or any part

thereof, except to the extent that the failure of the same to be true would not in the aggregate have a Material Adverse Effect.

Taxes. There are no Encumbrances for Taxes on any of the Potential Section 6.7 Acquired Assets other than statutory liens for current Taxes not yet delinquent or Taxes being contested in good faith. Each Seller has timely filed or caused to be timely filed with the appropriate Governmental Authority all material Tax Returns required to be filed by or on behalf of such seller with respect to or in connection with the Acquired Assets, the Properties, Business and the Assumed Liabilities. Such Tax Returns are true, complete and accurate in all material respects. Other than any Taxes the timely payment of which is precluded by the Bankruptcy Case, each Seller has paid and discharged in full all material amount of Taxes payable by or on behalf of such Seller. None of the Acquired Assets include or consist of an interest in any partnership, corporation or other regarded entity for U.S. federal, state or local income tax purposes. No Tax Proceeding is pending or has been threatened in writing against or with respect to any Seller in connection with the Potential Acquired Assets, the Properties, the Seller's business or the Assumed Liabilities. Each Seller has complied in all material respects with all applicable Laws (including information reporting requirements) relating to the collection, withholding and remittance of Taxes with respect to or in connection with the Acquired Assets, the Properties, the Seller's business and the Assumed Liabilities.

Section 6.8 <u>Brokers or Finders</u>. Sellers have not incurred any obligation or liability, contingent or otherwise, for brokerage or finders' fees or agents' commissions or other similar payment in connection with this Agreement, the other Transaction Documents or the Transactions for which Buyer is or will become liable.

Section 6.9 Employee and Employee Plan Matters.

- (a) No Seller is party to any collective bargaining, works council or similar Contract with any labor organization, union or association. No labor organization or group of employees of Sellers has made a pending demand for recognition or certification, and there are no representation or certification proceedings or petitions seeking a representation proceeding presently pending or, to the Knowledge of Sellers, threatened to be brought or filed, with the National Labor Relations Board or any other labor relations tribunal or authority. There is no pending labor dispute, strike, controversy, slowdown, work stoppage or lockout pending or, to the Knowledge of Sellers, threatened, against the Business or any Seller in connection with the Business, except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. There are no pending labor union grievances or unfair labor practices against any Seller, except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.
- (b) Sellers are in compliance in all material respects with all Employment Laws. There are no pending employment-related lawsuits or administrative actions alleging violations of Employment Laws against any Seller in state or federal court or pending with any Government Authority (including the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, the U.S. Department of Labor or any equivalent state or local agencies charged with investigating or adjudicating

employee claims concerning alleged violations of Employment Laws), except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

- (c) Each Employee Plan that is intended to be a qualified under Section 401(a) of the Code has either received a favorable determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service or may rely on a favorable opinion letter issued by the Internal Revenue Service and, to the Knowledge of Sellers, nothing has occurred since the date of such determination or opinion letter that would reasonably be expected to adversely affect such qualification. Each Employee Plan has been established, operated and administered in compliance with its terms and applicable Laws (including ERISA and the Code), except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. All contributions or other amounts payable by Sellers with respect to each Employee Plan in respect of current or prior plan years have been timely paid or accrued in accordance with applicable accounting standards.
- (d) There are no actions, suits, audits or investigations by any Governmental Authority, termination proceedings or other claims (except routine claims for benefits payable under the Employee Plans) pending or, to the Knowledge of Sellers, threatened, other than any such investigations, proceedings or claims that would not individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.
- (e) No Employee Plan is subject to Section 302 or Title IV of ERISA or Section 412, 430, or 4971 of the Code. During the immediately preceding six (6) years, no Liability under Section 302 or Title IV of ERISA has been incurred by Sellers or their respective ERISA Affiliates or their respective predecessors that has not been satisfied in full, and no condition exists that presents a risk to Sellers or any such ERISA Affiliates of incurring any such Liability.
- (f) Neither Sellers nor any of their respective ERISA Affiliates has, at any time during the preceding six (6) years, contributed to, been obligated to contribute to or had any Liability (including any contingent Liability) with respect to any Multiemployer Plan or a plan that has two or more contributing sponsors, at least two of whom are not under common control, within the meaning of Section 4063 of ERISA, and no condition exists that presents a risk to Sellers or any such ERISA Affiliates of incurring any such Liability.
- (g) Neither the execution and delivery of this Agreement nor the consummation of the Transactions will (either alone or in conjunction with any other event): (i) entitle any current or former employee, officer, director or independent contractor of any Seller to any payment or benefit (or result in the funding of any such payment or benefit) under any Employee Plan; (ii) increase the amount of any compensation, equity award or other benefits otherwise payable by any Seller under any Employee Plan; (iii) result in the acceleration of the time of payment, funding or vesting of any compensation, equity award or other benefits under any Employee Plan; or (iv) result in any "excess parachute payment" (within the meaning of Section 280G of the Code) becoming due to any current or former employee, officer, director or independent contractor of any Seller.

Section 6.10 Intellectual Property.

- (a) Set forth in Schedule 6.10(a) is a correct and complete list of all issued Patents, registered Trademarks, registered Copyrights, Domain Names and Media Accounts, and as applicable, all applications for each of the foregoing, which are owned by a Seller as of the date hereof or as of the Closing Date, including for each registered, issued or applied-for item: (i) the registered owner (and, if different, the legal owner) of the item, (ii) the jurisdiction in which the item is issued or registered or which any application for issuance or registration has been filed, (iii) the respective issuance, registration or application number of such item, (iv) the date of application and issuance or registration of the item, as applicable, and (v) with respect to Domain Names, the relevant domain name registrar and paid-until date.
- (b) With respect to each item of Acquired Intellectual Property, including each item identified in Schedule 6.10(a):
 - (i) Sellers exclusively own all right, title and interest in and to each such Acquired Intellectual Property free and clear of any Encumbrance and from any Order or Contract that restricts Sellers' right to use the Acquired Intellectual Property, in each case, except Permitted Post-Closing Encumbrances; for the avoidance of doubt, Schedule 6.10(b)(i) shall identify the co-owner(s) of each item of Acquired Intellectual Property and the agreements under which any Seller and the co-owner(s) share ownership of such Intellectual Property;
 - (ii) the item is not subject to any outstanding material Order, not including any outstanding objection, rejection or refusal issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office or the foreign equivalent thereof in connection with the prosecution or examination of a patent or trademark application; and
 - (iii) to Sellers' Knowledge, each issued Patent and registered Trademark (excluding those registered Trademarks that are currently in the grace period) is valid, subsisting and enforceable and duly registered or issued, as applicable, in the name of a Seller.
- (c) Except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to be material to the Business or the ownership or operation of the Acquired Assets, to Sellers' Knowledge: (i) neither the operation of the Business nor the Acquired Assets (other than the Acquired Inventory) is infringing, misappropriating, diluting or violating or have, since the beginning of the Current Fiscal Year, infringed upon, misappropriated, diluted or otherwise violated, any Intellectual Property of any other Person, (ii) since the beginning of the Current Fiscal Year, no Seller has received any written charge, complaint, claim, demand, or notice (including in the form of "cease and desist" letters, indemnification claims or "invitation to license" offers) alleging any such infringement, misappropriation, dilution or violation, nor is there any Action pending or threatened relating to the same, and (iii) since the beginning of the Current Fiscal Year, no Person has initiated or threatened any Action challenging the validity, enforceability or ownership of any Acquired Intellectual Property. To the Knowledge of Sellers,

no Person has infringed upon, misappropriated, diluted or otherwise violated any of the Acquired Intellectual Property in any material respect.

- (d) To the extent any current or former officers, directors, employees, contractors and consultants of Sellers have made contributions for or on behalf of Sellers to the creation or development of any Intellectual Property that is material to the operations of Sellers, Sellers own the entire right, title and interest in such contributions.
- (e) Since the beginning of the Current Fiscal Year, there has been no material failure or other material substandard performance of any servers, computer hardware, networks, Software, databases, telecommunications systems, interfaces or related systems (collectively, "IT Systems") of Sellers, which has caused any material disruption to the operation of any of Sellers' businesses. Sellers have taken commercially reasonable (i) steps to provide for the backup and recovery of data and commercially reasonable disaster recovery plans, procedures and facilities of IT Systems included in the Potential Acquired Assets and, as applicable, have taken commercially reasonable steps to implement such plans and procedures and (ii) actions to protect the integrity and security of IT Systems included in the Potential Acquired Assets, the information stored thereon and Acquired Data from unauthorized use or access by third parties and from viruses and contaminants. Since the beginning of the Current Fiscal Year, and to the Knowledge of Sellers, since January 1, 2017, there have been no material unauthorized intrusions or breaches of the security of the IT Systems (including any ransomware attack), nor any material loss or breach of, or unauthorized access to, any data, in each case with respect to IT Systems or data that relate to the Potential Acquired Assets.
- (f) Sellers have taken commercially reasonable steps to protect and preserve the secrecy and confidentiality of all information and materials that derive independent economic value from not being generally known to the public and all Know-How of third parties which was provided to a Seller under confidentiality obligations. Sellers have not (A) deposited or agreed to deposit any source code of Software the rights to which are included in the Potential Acquired Assets into a source code escrow or (B) disclosed or agreed to disclose or delivered or agreed to deliver such source code to any Person, other than disclosures made pursuant to clause (B) to Persons who are subject to confidentiality obligations which restrict their use and disclosure of such source code to other Persons not bound by confidentiality restrictions, and no Person has any contractual right to receive such source code.
- be material to the Business or the ownership or operation of the Acquired Assets, since the beginning of the Current Fiscal Year, and to the Knowledge of Sellers, since January 1, 2017, (i) Sellers have complied with all applicable Laws and contractual obligations relating to the collection, transfer, storage, disposal, use, processing and disclosure of the Customer Data included in the Acquired Data, and (ii) to the Knowledge of Sellers, there have been no losses or thefts of Customer Data or any other data held by or on behalf of Sellers, and in each case, included in the Acquired Data. Since January 1, 2016, Sellers have not received any unresolved written notice, request or written claim from any Person, including any Governmental Authority, concerning the material violation of any applicable Laws relating to the collection, transfer, storage, disposal, use, processing or disclosure of personally identifiable information, and, to the

Knowledge of Sellers, no investigation by any Governmental Authority regarding a violation of such Laws is pending or threatened, in each case, solely as related to the Potential Acquired Assets.

Section 6.11 Material Contracts.

- (a) <u>Schedule 6.11</u> sets forth all of the following Orders or Contracts to which any Seller is a party or by which it is bound and that are currently in effect (or by which the Potential Acquired Assets may be bound or affected) other than the Leases (collectively, whether or not disclosed on <u>Schedule 6.11</u>, the "<u>Material Contracts</u>"):
 - (i) with any labor union or association representing any Employees of any Seller;
 - (ii) for the sale after the date hereof of any Potential Acquired Asset owned or used by Sellers for consideration in excess of \$15,000,000;
 - (iii) relating to the pending acquisition by any Seller of any operating business or the capital stock of any other Person;
 - (iv) which is an IP License with respect to which annual payments or consideration furnished by or to Sellers pursuant to such IP License with respect to the Business is in excess of fifteen million dollars (\$15,000,000) in the Current Fiscal Year (other than, (A) in the case of Inbound IP Licenses, (x) off-the-shelf, non-customized computer programs, and (y) non-exclusive licenses granted by suppliers and other service providers of Sellers, in each case, to the extent necessary to use, sell and offer to sell the products and services of such suppliers or service providers, as applicable, and entered into in the Ordinary Course of Business; and (B) in the case of Outbound IP Licenses, non-exclusive licenses to customers, suppliers, vendors and other service providers of Sellers, in each case to the extent necessary for their respective use of the products and services of the Business or for the manufacture of products on behalf of Sellers or provision of services to Sellers in connection therewith and entered into in the Ordinary Course of Business);
 - (v) which involve any Potential Transferred Agreement (other than purchase orders entered into in the Ordinary Course of Business) the performance of which involves payment by or to any of Sellers of consideration in excess of \$15,000,000 over the Current Fiscal Year and which cannot be canceled by notice of ninety (90) days or fewer without penalty or payment; and
 - (vi) which regard the employment, services, consulting, termination or severance from employment relating to or for the material benefit of any director, officer, employee, independent contractor or consultant of any Seller and require annual payments by any Seller in excess of \$400,000.

- (b) Sellers have delivered to Buyer true and complete copies of such Material Contracts and any and all amendments, modifications, supplements, exhibits and restatements thereto and thereof in effect as of the date of this Agreement; provided, however, that Sellers shall not be required to deliver any Material Contract or amendment, modification, supplement, exhibit or restatement thereto that cannot be located notwithstanding the reasonable efforts of Sellers to locate such document if and only if such Material Contract is not an Assigned Agreement.
- (c) Each Material Contract is in full force and effect, has not been amended, modified or supplemented and is the valid and binding obligation of the Seller party thereto, and to the Knowledge of Sellers, each other party thereto, in each case (i) except as such enforceability may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or similar Laws now or hereafter in effect relating to creditor's rights generally or general principles of equity.
- (d) If any Material Contract were to be designated by Buyer for assignment as an Assigned Agreement, upon entry of the Approval Order and payment of the Cure Costs, no Seller is in breach or in default under any Material Contract.
- Section 6.12 <u>Seller SEC Reports</u>. Since the beginning of the Current Fiscal Year, SHC has filed or furnished (as applicable) all forms, reports, schedules, statements and other documents with the SEC that have been required to be filed or furnished (as applicable) by it under applicable Laws prior to the date hereof (all such forms, reports, schedules, statements and other documents, as amended and supplemented, and together with all exhibits and schedules thereto, the "<u>Seller SEC Reports</u>"). As of its filing date (or, if amended or superseded by a filing prior to the date of this Agreement, on the date of such amended or superseded filing), (a) each Seller SEC Report complied as to form in all material respects with the applicable requirements of the Securities Act, the Exchange Act or the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, as the case may be (including, in each case, the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder), each as in effect on the date such Seller SEC Report was filed, and (b) each Seller SEC Report did not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements made therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.
- Section 6.13 Financial Statements. The consolidated financial statements of SHC and its Subsidiaries included or incorporated by reference into the Seller SEC Reports have been prepared in accordance with GAAP consistently applied during the periods and at the dates involved (except as may be indicated in the notes thereto or, with respect to any unaudited interim financial statements, the absence of footnote disclosures and other presentation items and normal year-end audit adjustments or as permitted by the SEC's rules and forms), comply as to form in all material respects with applicable accounting requirements and the published rules and regulations of the SEC with respect thereto and fairly present in all material respects the consolidated financial position of SHC and its Subsidiaries as of the dates thereof and the consolidated results of operations and cash flows for the periods then ended.
- Section 6.14 <u>Litigation</u>. Except as would not reasonably be expected, individually or in the aggregate, to have a Material Adverse Effect, there are no Actions pending or, to the

knowledge of Sellers, threatened before, or by any Governmental Authority against any Seller with respect to the Business.

Section 6.15 KCD IP Rights. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 9.14, immediately following the Closing, Buyer shall have the right to use the KCD IP to the extent such KCD IP is necessary to conduct the Kenmore/DieHard Business as currently conducted and, in any event, to the same extent as Sellers have such right in connection with their current conduct of the Kenmore/DieHard Business.¹⁵

Section 6.166.15 No Other Representations or Warranties; No Survival. Except for the representations and warranties contained in this Article VI (subject to the disclosures set forth on the Schedules) and in the other Transactions Documents, as applicable, neither Sellers nor any other Person on behalf of Sellers makes any express or implied representation or warranty with respect to Sellers, its Subsidiaries, the Business, the Acquired Assets, the Assumed Liabilities, the Transactions or with respect to any information provided by or on behalf of Sellers to Buyer and Seller disclaims any other representations or warranties, whether made by Seller, any Affiliate of Seller or any of their respective officers, directors, employees, agents or representatives. Except for the representations and warranties contained in this Article VI and in the other Transactions Documents, as applicable, the Sellers (a) expressly disclaim and negate any representation or warranty, expressed or implied, at common law, by statute, or otherwise, relating to the condition of the Acquired Assets (including any implied or expressed warranty of merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose, or of conformity to models or samples of materials) and (b) disclaim all liability and responsibility for any representation, warranty, projection, forecast, statement, or information made, communicated, or furnished (orally or in writing) to Buyer or its Affiliates or their respective representatives (including any opinion, information, projection, or advice that may have been or may be provided to Buyer by any Representative of Seller or any of its Affiliates). The Seller makes no representations or warranties to Buyer regarding the success or profitability of the Business. The representations and warranties of Sellers will expire upon the Closing Date.

ARTICLE VII

REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF BUYER

Buyer hereby represents and warrants to Sellers that the statements contained in this Article VII are true and correct as of the date hereof:

Section 7.1 <u>Organization and Good Standing; Organizational Documents; Ownership.</u> Buyer is a limited liability company, duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware. Buyer has the requisite power and authority to own or lease and to operate and use its properties and the Acquired Assets and to carry on its business as now conducted and the Business. Buyer has delivered to Seller true and correct copies of the

¹⁵ Note to Weil Corporate Team: Formulation agreed with Weil IP team.

organizational documents of Buyer in effect as of the date hereof. All of the equity interests in Buyer as of the date hereof are owned of record and beneficially as set forth on Schedule 7.1.

Buyer has the requisite power and Authority; Validity; Consents. authority necessary to enter into and perform its obligations under this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents to which it is a party and to consummate the Transactions. The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement by Buyer and the consummation by Buyer of the Transactions have been duly and validly authorized by all requisite corporate, partnership or limited liability company actions in respect thereof. This Agreement has been duly and validly executed and delivered by Buyer and each other Transaction Document required to be executed and delivered by Buyer at any time will be duly and validly executed and delivered by Buyer. This Agreement and (when duly executed by Buyer) the other Transaction Documents constitute the legal, valid and binding obligation of Buyer, enforceable against Buyer in accordance with their respective terms, except as such enforceability is limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or similar Laws now or hereafter in effect relating to creditors' rights generally or general principles of equity. Subject to requisite Bankruptcy Court approval, as applicable, Buyer is not and will not be required to give any notice to or obtain any consent from any Person in connection with the execution and delivery of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents to which it is a party or the consummation or performance of any of the Transactions, except for (a) expiration or termination of any applicable waiting periods under the HSR Act and (b) such notices, filings and consents, the failure of which to provide, make or obtain, would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a material adverse effect on Buyer's right or ability to consummate the Transactions. There are no consents of any Buyer Related Party required for the execution, delivery and performance of the Transaction Documents and the consummation of the Transactions, including for the satisfaction of any condition set forth in Article X or Article XI.

Section 7.3 No Conflict. When the consents and other actions described in Section 7.2 have been obtained and taken, the execution and delivery of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents and the consummation of the Transactions will not result in the breach of any of the terms and provisions of, or constitute a default under, or materially conflict with, or require consent or the giving of a notice under, or cause any acceleration of any material obligation of Buyer under (a) any organizational documents of Buyer, (b) any Order or (c) any Law, except to the extent any such default, conflict or consent would not affect in any material respect Buyer's ability to consummate the Transactions.

Section 7.4 Financing; Availability of Funds.

- (a) Buyer shall deliver to Sellers concurrently herewith or prior to the execution of this Agreement a true, correct and complete copies of:
 - (i) an executed equity commitment letter (the "Equity Commitment Letter") to Buyer from ESL Investments, Inc. (the "Sponsor"), including all annexes, exhibits, schedules and other attachments thereto, dated as of the date hereof, pursuant to which

the Sponsor has committed to provide Buyer with equity financing in the amount set forth therein (the "Equity Financing") for the purpose of funding the Transactions;

- (ii) an executed mortgage loan commitment letter (the "Real Estate Commitment Letter") to Buyer from the Cyrus Lender and the Sponsor, including all annexes, exhibits, schedules and other attachments thereto, dated as of the date hereof, pursuant to which Cyrus and the Sponsor have committed to provide Buyer with real estate mortgage financing in the amount set forth therein (the "Real Estate Financing") for the purpose of funding the Transactions;
 - (iii) the executed Cyrus Commitment Letter; and
- (iv) the executed ABL Commitment Letter and the related fee letter (provided that fees, economics and other provisions which are customarily redacted in connection with acquisitions of this type may be redacted in a customary manner (to the extent any such provisions would not adversely affect the conditionality, enforceability, or availability of the amount of the Debt Financing necessary to consummate the Transactions contemplated hereby)). 16
- As of the date hereof, the Commitment Letters are in full force and effect and have not been withdrawn or terminated or otherwise amended or modified in any respect. As of the date hereof, the Commitment Letters are a legal, valid and binding obligation of Buyer and, to the knowledge of Buyer, the other parties thereto (subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent conveyance, reorganization, moratorium and similar Laws affecting creditors' rights generally and to general principles of equity). As of the date hereof, (x) there are no side letters or other agreements, contracts or arrangements to which Buyer or any of its Affiliates is a party relating to the Financing that could affect the availability of the amount of the Financing funded on the Closing Date necessary to consummate the Transactions contemplated hereby and (y) there are no conditions precedent or other contingencies related to the funding the Financing that could adversely affect the availability of the Financing or the timing of the Closing, other than as expressly set forth in the Commitment Letters. Buyer has fully paid any and all commitment fees or other fees required by the Commitment Letters to be paid by it on or prior to the date of this Agreement. Assuming the satisfaction of the conditions set forth in Article X, as of the date hereof, Buyer has no reason to believe that any of the conditions to the Financing in the Commitment Letters will not be satisfied. As of the date hereof, Buyer is not aware of any fact or occurrence that, with or without notice, lapse of time or both, would reasonably be expected to result in the Financing not being available on a timely basis in order to consummate the Transactions.
- (c) Assuming (i) the accuracy of the representations and warranties set forth in Article VI of this Agreement and (ii) the performance by Sellers of their respective obligations

¹⁶ Note to Sellers: increase in OID will affect the "full" amount of the financing but will not impact the amount of financing that we need to consummate the transactions.

hereunder in a manner sufficient to satisfy the condition specified in <u>Section 10.2</u>, the net proceeds from the Financing will be sufficient to consummate the Transactions, including the payment by Buyer of all obligations pursuant to <u>this Agreement</u> and any fees and expenses payable by Buyer on the Closing Date (including in respect of the Debt Financing).

- (d) The obligations of Buyer under this Agreement are not contingent on the availability of the Debt Financing. 4715
- Section 7.5 <u>Litigation</u>. There are no Proceedings pending or, to the knowledge of Buyer, threatened, or to which Buyer is otherwise a party before any Governmental Authority, that would affect in any material respect Buyer's ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement or any other Transaction Documents or to consummate the Transactions.
- Section 7.6 <u>Brokers or Finders</u>. Except for any brokers utilized by Buyer in the normal course of business (which brokers shall be compensated, if at all, by Buyer), neither Buyer nor any Person acting on behalf of Buyer has paid or become obligated to pay any fee or commission to any broker, finder, investment banker, agent or intermediary for or on account of the Transactions for which Sellers are or will become liable, and Buyer shall hold harmless and indemnify Sellers from any claims with respect to any such fees or commissions.

Section 7.7 Condition of Acquired Assets; Representations.

Notwithstanding anything contained in this Agreement to the contrary, Buyer acknowledges and agrees that Sellers are not making any representations or warranties whatsoever, express or implied, beyond those expressly given by Sellers in Article VI (subject to the disclosures set forth on the Schedules), and Buyer acknowledges and agrees that the Acquired Assets are being transferred on an "as is", "where is" basis. Buyer acknowledges and accepts the disclaimers made by Sellers in Section 6.16. Buyer acknowledges that it has conducted to its satisfaction its own independent investigation of the Business, the Acquired Assets and Assumed Labilities and, in making the determination to proceed with the Transactions, Buyer has relied solely on the results of its own independent investigation. In connection with Buyer's investigation, Buyer has received or may receive from Sellers certain projections, forward-looking statements and other forecasts and certain business plan information. Buyer acknowledges that Sellers make no representation or warranty with respect to forward-looking estimates, projections, forecasts or plans (including the reasonableness of the assumptions underlying such estimates, projections, forecasts or plans). Buyer acknowledges that there are uncertainties inherent in attempting to make such estimates, projections and other forecasts and plans, that Buyer is familiar with such uncertainties, that Buyer is taking full responsibility for making its own evaluation of the adequacy and accuracy of all estimates, projections and other forecasts and plans so furnished to it (including the reasonableness of the

Note to Sellers: To discuss inclusion of reps on ownership of debt. Buyer's previous formulation would contemplate ability to buy or otherwise cash out such debt at closing, and Buyer accordingly is not providing a representation as to ownership of all debt as of signing date.

assumptions underlying such estimates, projections, forecasts or plans), and that Buyer shall have no claim against anyone with respect thereto. Accordingly, Buyer acknowledges that Sellers make no representation or warranty with respect to such estimates, projections, forecasts or plans (including the reasonableness of the assumptions underlying such estimates, projections, forecasts or plans) or the success or profitability of the Business.

Section 7.8 No Survival. The representations and warranties of Buyer will expire upon the Closing Date.

ARTICLE VIII

ACTION PRIOR TO THE CLOSING DATE

Section 8.1 Operations.

From the date hereof and prior to the Closing, except (i) as required by applicable Law, (ii) as expressly contemplated by this Agreement or (iii) with the prior written consent of Buyer (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, delayed or conditioned), Sellers covenant and agree to comply with applicable Law in all material respects and to use commercially reasonable efforts to conduct their business in the Ordinary Course of Business (taking into account Sellers' status as debtors-in-possession), including (A) to maintain and preserve the Potential Acquired Assets in their condition as of October 15, 2018 (including by using commercially reasonable best efforts to comply with instructions from Buyer as to the renewal (or lack of renewal) of each Lease and other Potential Transferred Agreement that comes up for renewal), other than reasonable wear and tear, casualty and condemnation (which shall be governed by Section 12.3), and sales of Inventory in the Ordinary Course of Business, (B) by using commercially reasonable efforts to cause the landlord under the respective Leases and any applicable counterparty under the Outbound IP Licenses and any other Potential Transferred Agreements to perform such parties' covenants, agreements and obligations under the respective Leases, Outbound IP Licenses and other Potential Transferred Agreements and (C) managing Inventory in the Ordinary Course of Business, including with regard to Inventory in transit and Inventory located in distribution centers (and for the avoidance of doubt, Sellers shall not delay taking delivery of Inventory that would be Acquired Inventory on the Closing Date if delivery of such Inventory were managed in the Ordinary Course of Business prior to the Closing Date). 18—; provided, that Sellers shall be permitted to reasonably manage the amount of Inventory in consultation with Buyer in the event that Sellers reasonably expect to have more than the minimum amount of Inventory necessary to satisfy the condition set forth in Section 10.10 as of the Closing). Sellers shall promptly notify Buyer of (x) any notice or other written communication from any Person alleging that the consent of such Person is or may be required in connection with the consummation of the Transactions; and (y) the commencement of any material Proceedings related to the business conducted by Sellers, the Designations Rights or the Potential Acquired Assets; provided, however, that the delivery of any notice pursuant to this

¹⁸ Note to Buyer: Seller's flexibility to manage inventory to achieve DIP level to be reviewed.

- Section 8.1(a) will not (A) limit or otherwise affect any remedies available to Buyer or Sellers, or (B) be deemed to amend or supplement any Schedule or prevent or cure any misrepresentations or breach of representation or warranty.
- (b) Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, from the date hereof and prior to the Closing, Sellers covenant and agree:
 - (i) not to sell, lease (as lessor), license (as licensor), transfer or otherwise dispose of, or mortgage or pledge, or voluntarily impose or suffer to be imposed any Encumbrance (other than Permitted Pre-Closing Encumbrances) on, any Potential Acquired Assets (excluding the Acquired Intellectual Property and Acquired Data, which are addressed below), other than sales of Inventory in the Ordinary Course of Business;
 - (ii) not to assign, transfer, otherwise dispose of or convey any Patent, Trademark, registered or applied-for Copyright or Domain Name included in the Acquired Intellectual Property, or any other material Acquired Intellectual Property or any Acquired Data;
 - (iii) not to allow to lapse, abandon, cancel, fail to renew or fail to continue to prosecute, protect or defend any Patent, Trademark, registered or applied-for Copyright or Domain Name included in the Acquired Intellectual Property, or any other material Acquired Intellectual Property or, as applicable, any Acquired Data, in each case, other than registered Trademarks (A) that Sellers have ceased to use and intend not to resume use of and (B) that have entered the grace period for renewal;
 - (iv) not to license or grant any Person any rights to any Acquired Intellectual Property or any Acquired Data (other than, in each case, non-exclusive licenses granted to customers, vendors, suppliers and other service providers of Sellers to the extent necessary for their respective use of the products and services of Sellers or for the provision of services to Sellers in connection therewith and entered into in the Ordinary Course of Business);
 - (v) not to modify any privacy policies, notices or statements in a manner that (A) limits the ability or right of a Seller to sell and transfer the Acquired Data to Buyer, or (B) limits the use of the Acquired Data by Buyer after the Closing;
 - (vi) not to settle, pay, discharge or satisfy any material Action that, in each case, would constitute a Potential Acquired Asset (for the avoidance of doubt, other than any Excluded Assets) or Assumed Liability where such settlement, payment, discharge or satisfaction would impose any restrictions or limitations upon the operation of Sellers' business or any Acquired Assets, whether before or after the Closing Date;
 - (vii) not to cancel or compromise any claim or waive or release any right related to any Potential Acquired Asset (for the avoidance of doubt, other than any Excluded Assets):

- (viii) except as required by <u>Section 8.1(a)</u> or permitted under <u>Section 8.1(b)(iv)</u> with respect to Outbound IP Licenses, not to amend, supplement, modify, terminate or enter into any Leases, Outbound IP Licenses (under which a Seller is a licensor) or other Potential Transferred Agreements;
- (ix) unless required by Law, not to take any action, without the consent of Buyer (which may not be unreasonably delayed, conditioned or denied), with respect to Taxes or Tax matters that is not in the Ordinary Course Of Business and that (A) would materially adversely affect the Potential Acquired Assets, the Properties, Business and the Assumed Liabilities or (B) otherwise could reasonably be expected to increase the Tax Liability of Buyer or any of its Affiliates;
- (x) to use commercially reasonable efforts to cause any applicable counterparty under the IP Licenses included in the Assigned Agreements to perform such party's covenants, agreements and obligations under such IP Licenses, including with respect to quality control;
- (xi) not to grant or terminate any other interests in any Potential Acquired Asset (other than sales of Inventory in the Ordinary Course of Business);
- (xii) not to seek or obtain an order approving rejection of a Lease or other Potential Transferred Agreement;
- (xiii) not to issue any gift cards, gift certificates, merchandise credits, return credits, customer membership or customer loyalty discount programs, coupons, groupons or other similar credits or programs at a discount or pursuant to any promotion that would result in any Seller receiving less than face value in such issuance;
- (xiv) not to (A) increase the annual level of compensation payable or to become payable by any Seller to any director or officer of any Seller, except in the Ordinary Course of Business, (B) increase the annual level of compensation payable or to become payable by any Seller to any other employee of any Seller, except in the Ordinary Course of Business, (C) grant any unusual or extraordinary bonus, benefit or other direct or indirect compensation to any director, officer or employee except as authorized by the Bankruptcy Court, (D) increase the coverage or benefits available under any (or create any new) Employee Plan (E) take any action (other than a termination of employment in accordance with clause (xiv) of this Section 8.1(b)), whether in writing or otherwise, that has or could reasonably be expected to have the effect of increasing in any manner the liability of the Buyer or any Seller for any severance or other post-termination payments or benefits otherwise payable or due to any individual or group of individuals, or otherwise enhancing, or accelerating the timing of, such payment or benefit or accelerating the funding thereof, or (F) enter into any employment, deferred compensation, severance, consulting, noncompetition or similar agreement to which any Seller is a party or involving a director, officer or employee of any Seller, except, in each

case, as required by applicable Law from time to time in effect or by any of the Employee Plans as in effect on the date hereof;

- (xv) not to terminate the employment of any director, officer or employee of any Seller other than in the Ordinary Course of Business;
- (xvi) not to enter into, modify or terminate any labor or collective bargaining agreement or, through negotiation or otherwise, make any commitment or incur any liability to any labor organization with respect to any Potential Acquired Asset;
- (xvii) not to permit Sears Re to (A) pay any dividend or distribution, (B) issue any debt or equity securities or (C) take any of the actions described in this Section 8.1(b) with respect to its assets or Contracts; and
- (xviii) not to enter into any agreement or commitment to take any action prohibited by this Section 8.1(b).
- (c) Without in any way limiting any Party's rights or obligations under this Agreement, the Parties understand and agree that (i) nothing contained in this Agreement shall give Buyer, directly or indirectly, the right to control or direct the operations of Sellers, Sellers' business or the Properties prior to the applicable Closing Date and (ii) prior to the Closing Date, Sellers shall exercise, consistent with, and subject to, the terms and conditions of this Agreement, complete control and supervision over the operations of Sellers, the Business and the Properties to the extent permitted by Law, including taking into account Sellers' status as debtors-in-possession in the Bankruptcy Case. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, Sellers shall be permitted to take all actions that are necessary or desirable to comply with the WARN Act, including providing any notices required under the WARN Act, and no such actions shall constitute a violation of this Section 8.1.

Section 8.2 Bankruptcy Court Matters.

Approval of Expense Reimbursement. In consideration for Buyer having expended considerable time and expense in connection with this Agreement and the negotiation thereof and the identification and quantification of assets of Seller, subject to the approval of the Bankruptcy Court, (i) in the event of the Closing, at the Closing in accordance with Section 3.3(a), (ii) if this Agreement is terminated by Buyer or Seller pursuant to Section 12.1(a)(ii) or by Buyer pursuant to Section 12.1(b), within three (3) Business Days of such termination or (iii) if this Agreement is terminated due to consummation of a Competing Transaction pursuant to Section 12.1(a)(iii), within five (5) Business Days after the consummation of the Competing Transaction, Seller (or either of Seller or the successful bidder, in the case of clause (iii)) shall pay Buyer, in accordance with the terms hereof an amount equal to the amount of the reasonable and documented fees, expenses or other disbursements of the Buyer Related Parties incurred in connection with the Transactions, including the reasonable and documented fees and expenses of its professional advisors incurred in connection with the Transactions, including amounts arising from any investigation, prosecution of any claims, causes of action, adversary proceedings or other litigation or threatened litigation into the validity of the

Buyer Related Parties' liens or claims and the Buyer Related Parties' ability to credit bid and any defenses prepared in connection therewith, and up to an aggregate amount of \$30,000,000 (the "Expense Reimbursement Amount"). Buyer acknowledges that this Agreement is subject to an overbid at the Auction, and that, in the event this Agreement is terminated pursuant to Section 12.1(a)(iii), Sellers shall have no liability to Buyer under this Agreement other than to pay the Expense Reimbursement Amount as set forth herein; provided, however, that nothing in this sentence shall relieve Sellers from any liability for any willful and material breach of this Agreement prior to its termination. For the avoidance of doubt, payment of the Expense Reimbursement Amount shall not relieve Sellers of any obligation (a) in respect of any Buyer Related Party's secured debt in Sellers or (b) with respect to any other Contracts or other arrangements to which any Buyer Related Party may be a party from time to time.

(a) [Reserved].

(b) Bankruptcy Court Filings and Approvals.

- (i) Buyer agrees that it will promptly furnish such affidavits or other documents or information for filing with the Bankruptcy Court as are reasonably requested by Sellers to assist Sellers in obtaining entry of the Approval Order, including a finding of adequate assurance of future performance by Buyer. Sellers shall provide Buyer with advance drafts of any motions, pleadings or Bankruptcy Court filings relating to the sale of the Acquired Assets or the Approval Order no later than two (2) Business Days prior to the date Sellers intend to file such motion, pleading or Bankruptcy Court filing to the extent practicable (or, to the extent not practicable, as soon as reasonably practicable prior to the filing of such pleading). Buyer may file or join in any motion, pleading or Bankruptcy Court filing in support or seeking approval of, and reply to any response or objection to, the sale of the Acquired Assets hereunder, and the Approval Order.
- (ii) Sellers shall file such motions or pleadings as may be appropriate or necessary to assume and assign the Assigned Agreements and to determine the amount of the Cure Costs; <u>provided</u>, that subject to Section 2.7, Section 2.9 and <u>Section 5.2</u>, nothing herein shall preclude Sellers from filing such motions, including from and after the Petition Date, to reject any Contracts that are not Assigned Agreements.
- (iii) This Agreement is subject to approval by the Bankruptcy Court and the consideration by Sellers of higher or better Competing Transactions.
- (iv) Sellers and Buyer acknowledge that Buyer (or any applicable Assignee) must provide adequate assurance of future performance under the Assigned Agreements to be assigned by Sellers, and Buyer hereby agrees to provide such adequate assurance to the extent required under the Bankruptcy Code and the Bidding Procedures Order, including by demonstrating financial wherewithal to pay Cure Costs.
- (v) Buyer and Sellers shall provide any cooperation reasonably requested by anythe consumer privacy ombudsman appointed in these Bankruptcy Cases and shall use

commercially reasonable efforts to take all reasonable actions recommended by such ombudsman in any report authored by such ombudsman and approved or adopted by the Bankruptcy Court in accordance with Section 10.9]¹⁹

- (vi) After entry of the Approval Order, Sellers shall not take any action which is intended to, or fail to take any action the intent of which failure to act is to, result in the reversal, voiding, modification or staying of the Approval Order.
- (vii) If applicable, Sellers shall cause any plan of reorganization or liquidation approved in the Bankruptcy Cases to permit assumption of Sellers' executory contracts and unexpired leases of real property through the end of the Designation Rights Period.
- (c) <u>Back-Up Bidder</u>. Sellers and Buyer agree that, in the event that Buyer is not the winning bidder at the Auction, if (i) Buyer submits the second highest or second best bid at the Auction or the terms of this Agreement constitute the second highest or best bid, and (ii) Sellers give written notice to Buyer on or before the tenth (10th) Business Day prior to the Outside Date, stating that Sellers (A) failed to consummate the sale of the Acquired Assets with the winning bidder, and (B) terminated the purchase agreement with the winning bidder, Buyer shall promptly consummate the Transactions upon the terms and conditions as set forth herein, including the Purchase Price.
- (d) <u>Bankruptcy Milestones</u>. The Parties will use reasonable best efforts to comply with the following milestones:
 - (i) to obtain entry of the Approval Order by the Bankruptcy Court on or before February 4, 2019.
 - (ii) to close the Transactions on or before February 18, 2019.

Section 8.3 <u>Registrations, Filings and Consents.</u>

(a) Subject to the Parties' additional obligations under this Section 8.3, each Party shall use its respective reasonable best efforts and, as applicable, cooperate with the other Parties, to take, or cause to be taken, all appropriate action, and to do, or cause to be done, all things reasonably necessary, proper or advisable under Laws to consummate and make effective the Transactions, including using its respective reasonable best efforts (i) to fulfill all conditions to the other Party's obligation to effect the Closing in Article X, (ii) to execute, acknowledge and deliver in proper form any further documents, certificates, agreements and other writings, and take such other action as such other Party may reasonably require, in order to effectively carry out the intent of the Transaction Documents, (iii) to make or cause to be made all registrations, filings, notifications, submissions and applications with, to give all notices to and to obtain any consents, governmental transfers, approvals, orders, qualifications and waivers from any

¹⁹ Note to Draft: Subject to discussion with privacy ombudsman.

Governmental Authority necessary for the consummation of the Transactions and (iv) not take any action that could reasonably be expected to have the effect of delaying, impairing or impeding the receipt of any such consents, approvals or waivers.

The Parties shall duly file with the FTC and the Antitrust Division the notification and report forms (each an "HSR Filing"), that may be required under the HSR Act necessary to consummate the Transactions, as promptly as possible and in no event later than January 18, 2019, including with respect to Buyer causing to be filed by its Affiliates and interest holders any HSR Filings necessary to consummate the Transactions. If an HSR Filing is required, each Party shall cooperate with the other Party to the extent necessary to assist the other Party in the preparation of its HSR Filing, to request early termination of the waiting period required by the HSR Act with respect to the HSR Filing and, if requested, to promptly amend or furnish additional information under its HSR Filing. Each Party shall as promptly as practicable comply with any Laws that are applicable to any of the Transactions and pursuant to which any consent, approval, order or authorization of, or registration, declaration or filing with, any Governmental Authority is necessary. Subject to applicable Laws and the preservation of any applicable attorney-client privilege, the Parties shall promptly furnish to each other all such information as is necessary to prepare any such registration, declaration or filing. The Parties shall have joint decision-making authority with respect to the strategy for obtaining any necessary consents. approvals, orders or authorizations from any Governmental Authority, including under any Antitrust Laws. Neither Buyer nor Sellers, nor their respective counsel, shall independently participate in any substantive call or meeting with any Governmental Authority regarding the Transactions without giving the other Party or its counsel prior notice of such call or meeting and, to the extent permitted by such Governmental Authority, the opportunity to attend and/or participate. In furtherance of the foregoing and to the extent permitted by applicable Law: (i) each Party shall notify the other, as far in advance as practicable, of any material or substantive communication or inquiry it or any of its Affiliates or Subsidiaries intends to make with any Governmental Authority relating to the matters that are the subject of this Section 8.3; (ii) prior to submitting or making any such communication or inquiry, such Party shall provide the other Party and its counsel a reasonable opportunity to review, and shall consider in good faith the comments of the other Party in connection with, any such communication or inquiry; (iii) promptly following the submission or making such communication or inquiry, provide the other Party with a copy of any such communication or inquiry, if in written form; and (iv) consult with the other Party in connection with any inquiry, hearing, investigation or litigation by, or negotiations with, any Governmental Authority relating to the Transactions, including the scheduling of, and strategic planning for, any meetings with any Governmental Authority relating thereto. In exercising the foregoing cooperation rights, Buyer and Sellers each shall act reasonably and as promptly as reasonably practicable. Notwithstanding the foregoing, materials provided pursuant to this Section 8.3 may be reasonably redacted (A) to remove references concerning the valuation of the Transactions, (B) as necessary to comply with contractual arrangements, (C) as necessary to address reasonable privilege concerns or (D) as otherwise required by Law. The Parties shall bear their own costs and expenses incurred with respect to the preparation of their respective filings contemplated in this Section 8.3(b), provided, however, that Buyer shall pay the filing fees, if any, in connection therewith.

- (c) Each of Seller and Buyer agrees that it will (and will cause its Affiliates to), if necessary to enable the Parties to consummate the Transactions, use reasonable best efforts to defend against any Actions that would prevent, delay or challenge the Transaction Documents or the consummation of the Transactions, including by seeking to vacate or reverse any temporary restraining order, preliminary injunction or other legal restraint or prohibition entered or imposed (or which becomes reasonably foreseeable to be entered or imposed) by any court or other Governmental Authority that is not yet final and nonappealable, in order that the Transactions shall occur as promptly as reasonably practicable and in any event no later than the Outside Date.
- Buyer shall, at Buyer's sole cost, take, or cause to be taken, any and all actions and do, or cause to be done, any and all things necessary, proper or advisable to avoid, eliminate and resolve each and every impediment and obtain all Consents required to permit the satisfaction of the conditions in Section 10.4, Section 10.5, Section 11.3, and Section 11.4, as promptly as reasonably practicable and in any event no later than the Outside Date, including by offering and causing its Affiliates to offer to: (i) sell or otherwise dispose of, or hold separate and agree to sell or otherwise dispose of specific assets or categories of assets or businesses constituting the Business or any of the Acquired Assets or any other assets or businesses owned by Buyer or its Affiliates; (ii) terminate any existing relationships and contractual rights and obligations of Buyer or its Affiliates including, after the Closing, the Business or any of the Acquired Assets; (iii) amend or terminate such existing licenses or other intellectual property agreements and to enter into such new licenses or other intellectual property agreements; (iv) take any and all actions and make any and all behavioral commitments, whether or not they limit or modify Buyer's or its Affiliates' rights of ownership in, or ability to conduct the business of, one or more of its or their operations, divisions, businesses, product lines, customers or assets, including, after the Closing, the Business or any of the Acquired Assets; and (v) enter into agreements, including with the relevant Governmental Authority, giving effect to the foregoing clauses (i) through (iv) (such actions in clauses (i) through (v), "Antitrust Actions"); provided, that such Antitrust Actions are conditioned upon and become effective only from and after the Closing. In furtherance of the foregoing, prior to the Closing, Buyer shall keep Sellers reasonably informed of all matters, discussions and activities relating to any of the matters described in or contemplated by clauses (i) through (v) of this Section 8.3(d).
- (e) Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, neither Buyer nor Seller, without the other Party's prior written consent, shall (i) enter into any timing, settlement or similar agreement, or otherwise agree or commit to any arrangement that would have the effect of extending, suspending, lengthening or otherwise tolling the expiration or termination of the waiting period applicable to the Transactions under the HSR Act or any Antitrust Laws, or (ii) enter into any timing or similar agreement, or otherwise agree or commit to any arrangement, that would bind or commit the Parties not to complete the Transactions (or that would otherwise prevent or prohibit the Parties from completing the Transactions).

Section 8.4 Financing Assistance; Additional Information.

(a) From the (I) Prior to the Closing Date Sellers shall furnish to Buyer and the ABL Financing Sources the Required Information as practicable as possible (and, with respect to the documents in clause (z) thereof, upon request) (and, with respect to clauses (x) and (y) of the

definition of Required Information, such Required Information shall be Compliant at the time furnished) and (II) from the date hereof to earlier of (x) the date this Agreement is terminated in accordance with its terms and (y) the Closing Date, Sellers shall provide to Buyer and shall use reasonable best efforts to cause its officers, employees and advisors to provide to Buyer, such cooperation as is customary for financings of the type contemplated by the Debt Commitment Letters and as is reasonably requested by Buyer in connection with arranging and obtaining the Debt Financing, which cooperation includes using reasonable best efforts to (i) cause the participation by one or more representatives of senior management in a reasonable number of meetings, due diligence sessions²⁰ and presentations upon reasonable prior notice and in reasonably convenient locations, (ii) furnishreasonably assist Buyer, its Affiliates and the ABL Financing Sources²¹ with the Required Information, (iii) reasonably assist Buyer with the preparation of (A) one or more customary bank information memoranda (and, to the extent necessary, additional information memoranda that do not include material non-public information), (B) customary materials for rating agency presentations, ²² (C) syndication materials, (D) lender presentations and (E) other customary marketing and similar documents, each in connection with the syndication and marketing of the ABL Financing, 23 (iviii) furnish to Buyer, on a timely basis, the Required Information and such other customary financial and other pertinent information regarding Sellers (including information regarding the business, operations and financial projections thereof) as may be reasonably requested by Buyer to assist in the preparation of a customary confidential information memorandum or other customary information documents used in financings of the type contemplated by the ABL Commitment Letter, (viv) cooperate with the Buyer's and the ABL Financing Sources' reasonable evaluation of the applicable Sellers for the purpose of establishing collateral arrangements (including conducting, at the Buyer's sole cost and expense, appraisals and field audits contemplated by the ABL Commitment Letter and providing information reasonably requested with respect to inventory, receivables, cash management and accounting systems, deposit accounts and related assets and procedures), in each case, to the extent customary in asset-based revolving credit facilities (including by providing Buyer and the Financing Sources with reasonable and customary access to the books and records, properties and applicable representatives of Sellers), (viv) (A) reasonably cooperate with the marketing efforts of Buyer and the Financing Sources for any portion of the Debt Financing and (B) ensure that the syndication efforts for the ABL Financing benefit materially from the existing banking relationships of the Sellers, (vii) permit the use by Buyer and its Affiliates of the Sellers' logos and/or Trademarks included in the Acquired Assets in connection with the syndication of the Debt Financing, provided that such logos and/or marks are used in a manner that is not intended, or reasonably likely, to harm or disparage Sellers, (viii)

Note to Sellers: there may be ealls relating to financial statement due diligence. This should not be controversial.

²¹ Note to Sellers: the information is going to the Financing Sources, directly or indirectly.

Note to Sellers: we will have RAPs. We expect the cooperation covenant to cover assistance with these materials, as is customary. Also as is customary we do not expect this to be material incremental work, if any, since there is typically substantial overlap.

²³ Note to Sellers: we are OK deleting this bracketed language only to the extent our Compliant construct is accepted, which we think should get us to the same place.

cause the taking of corporate actions by the Sellers that are necessary to permit the consummation of the Financing on the Closing Date as are reasonably requested by Buyer, (Exviii) facilitate the release and termination, effective upon the Closing, of liens, and security interests and guarantees, including obtaining customary payoff and release letters (including delivery of draft Payoff Letters at least three (3) Business Days prior to the anticipated Closing Date), lien terminations and releases and other similar documents as may reasonably be requested by Buyer²⁴ and (xix) execute and deliver any documents as reasonably requested by Buyer as are customary in financings of such type and as are accurate, and otherwise facilitate the pledging of and granting, recording and perfection of security interests in share certificates, securities and other collateral (including releasing any Liens on the Acquired Assets in connection with any existing indebtedness of Sellers) and the obtaining of appraisals, surveys and title insurance as reasonably requested by Buyer; it being understood and agreed that (A) no such corporate action will take effect prior to the Closing fand (B) any such corporate action will only be required of the directors, members, partners, managers or officers of the Sellers who retain their respective positions as of the Closing; 25 provided that no obligation of Sellers shall be effective until the Closing Date; provided, however, that nothing herein shall require Sellers to (A) 26 waive or amend any terms of this Agreement or cause any condition to Closing set forth in Article X to not be satisfied or otherwise cause any breach of this Agreement, (B) authorize, execute, and/or deliver any certificate, document or instrument pursuant to the Debt Financing that will be effective prior to the Closing Date, (C) take any action that would conflict with any applicable Law, the organizational documents of Sellers or result in the contravention of, or would reasonably be expected to result in the violation or breach of, or default under, any Material Contract to which any of Sellers is a party or (D) prepare, assist in the preparation of, or otherwise provide any information that is not in the possession or control of Sellers or any other information to the extent such disclosure (x) may result in a waiver of attorney-client privilege, work product doctrine or similar privilege, provided that Sellers shall use reasonable best efforts to provide such information in a form or manner that would not waive such legal privilege (including by redacting or otherwise not disclosing any portion thereof the disclosure of which would jeopardize such privilege) or (y) would violate any confidentiality obligation of Sellers.²⁷ It is agreed that the failure to deliver the Required Information pursuant to this Section 8.4 shall be deemed a material breach by Sellers of this Section 8.4.

(b) Sellers shall not be required to pay any commitment fees or other fees or make any other payment (other than reasonable out-of-pocket costs) or incur any other liability or provide or agree to provide any indemnity in connection with the Debt Financing or any of the foregoing that would be effective prior to the Closing. Buyer shall promptly reimburse Sellers for all out-of-pocket costs and expenses (including attorneys' fees) incurred by Sellers or any of their Affiliates in connection with the cooperation of the Sellers contemplated by this Section 8.4and

²⁴ Note to Sellers: It is customary to obtain payoff letters even with a Sale 363 order. This is also a requirement of our Financing Sources to evidence satisfaction of our refinancing condition.

²⁵ Note to Sellers: Subject to ongoing discussions on employment arrangements.

²⁶ Note to Sellers: Deleted as duplicative of the immediately preceding proviso.

²⁷ Note to Sellers: We cannot accept this last sentence as it off market and guts the entire provision.

shall indemnify and hold harmless Sellers, their Affiliates and their respective representatives from and against any and all losses suffered or incurred by any of them of any type in connection with the arrangement of any Financing and any information used in connection therewith, except in the event such loss or damage arises out of or results from the gross negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith by Sellers or their Affiliates or, in each case, their respective representatives.

Section 8.5 Financing.

Buyer shall use its reasonable best efforts to take, or cause to be taken, all actions and to do, or cause to be done, as promptly as possible, all things necessary, advisable or desirable to (i) satisfy on a timely basis (taking into account the expected timing of the Marketing Period) all terms, conditions, representations and warranties applicable to Buyer set forth in the Commitment Letters (including any flex provisions) (or, if deemed advisable by Buyer, seek a waiver of conditions applicable to Buyer contained in the Commitment Letters) (and, for the avoidance of doubt, this clause (i) shall have no effect where the failure to satisfy such terms, conditions, representations and warranties results directly from the Sellers' failure to furnish the Required Information (or from the failure of the Required Information to be Compliant) pursuant to Section 8.4 or breach of their obligations hereunder in a manner that would cause the condition in Section 10.2 not to be satisfied), (ii) maintain in effect the Commitment Letters through the Closing Date (as such may be amended, supplemented, modified and replaced in accordance with the terms hereof), (iii) negotiate and enter into Debt Financing Documents and enforce its rights under the Debt Commitment Letters (other than pursuant to any Action taken prior to the satisfaction of the conditions set forth in Article X and Article XI hereunder) and (iv) upon satisfaction of the conditions set forth in the Commitment Letters, consummate the Financing at the Closing; provided, however, that, if all or any portion of funds in the amounts and on the terms set forth in the Debt Commitment Letters become, or would be reasonably expected to become, unavailable to Buyer on the terms and conditions set forth therein (including any "flex" provisions related thereto) and such portion is reasonably required to fund the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and all fees, expenses and other amounts contemplated to be paid (or caused to be paid) by Buyer pursuant to this Agreement, in each case other than as a result of a breach by Sellers of any representation, warranty or covenant contained in this agreement in a manner that would cause the conditions in Section 10.1 or Section 10.2 not to be satisfied, Buyer shall use its reasonable best efforts to obtain substitute alternative debt financing (the "Alternative Financing") for all or such portion of such funds to the extent so unavailable, (i) in amounts and otherwise on terms and conditions no less favorable to Buyer than as set forth in the applicable Debt Commitment Letter and (ii) that does not expand upon the conditions precedent or contingencies to funding the Financing on the Closing Date as set forth in the applicable Debt Commitment Letter or Debt Financing Documents with respect to the Alternative Financing; provided, further, that, if Buyer proceeds with Alternative Financing, it shall be subject to the same obligations with respect to such Alternative Financing as set forth in this Section 8.5 as with respect to the Debt Financing. For the avoidance of doubt, references to the "Debt Commitment Letter" shall include such document as permitted or required by this Section 8.5 for such Alternative Financing from the time of such substitution.

Buyer shall provide prompt written notice of (i) any material breach or default (or (b) any event or circumstance that, with or without notice, lapse of time or both, would reasonably be expected to give rise to any material breach or default) by Buyer under the Commitment Letters, or to the knowledge of Buyer, any other party to the Commitment Letters or definitive agreement related thereto and (ii) receipt by Buyer of any written notice or other written communication from any party to the Commitment Letters with respect to any actual or threatened material breach, default, termination or repudiation by any party to the Commitment Letters or any definitive agreement related thereto or any provision of the Financing or any definitive agreement related thereto (including any proposal by any Financing Source to withdraw, terminate, reduce the amount of financing necessary to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby or materially delay the timing of the financing contemplated by Commitment Letters). Buyer shall not consent to (i) any replacement, amendment or waiver of any provision or remedy under any Commitment Letter (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any provision of any fee letter or engagement letter related thereto) without Sellers' prior written consent if such replacement, amendment or waiver (A) reduces the aggregate amount of the Financing (including by changing the amount of fees to be paid or original issue discount thereof, unless, in the case of the the Debt Commitment Letters, any such change is matched from Alternative Financing to the extent required or permitted pursuant to Section 8.5(a)), unless such portion is not reasonably required to fund the transactions contemplated by this Agreement or (B) imposes new or additional conditions precedent or changes the conditions precedent to the Financing or otherwise changes the terms of the Financing, in each case, in a manner that would reasonably be expected to delay in any material respect or prevent the Closing or make the funding of the Financing materially less likely to occur or adversely impact in any material respect Buyer's ability to enforce its rights under any such Commitment Letter or to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby (for the avoidance of doubt, it is understood that, subject to the limitations set forth in this Section 8.5, Buyer may amend the Debt Commitment Letters to add lenders, lead arrangers, bookrunners, syndication agents or similar entities, but if and only if the addition of such additional parties, individually or in the aggregate, and together with any amendments or modifications to such Debt Commitment Letter in connection therewith, would not result in the occurrence of a modification to such Commitment Letter prohibited by this clause (i)) and (ii) termination of such Commitment Letter prior to the Closing Date (unless, in the case of the Debt Commitment Letter, Buyer has arranged for Alternative Financing to the extent permitted or required by Section 8.5(a)). Buyer shall provide to Sellers copies of any commitment letter associated with a replacement Financing or Alternative Financing as well as any amendment or waiver of any Commitment Letter. 28 For the avoidance of doubt, references to "Commitment Letter" shall include as such Commitment Letter is modified in accordance with this Section 8.5(b) from the time of such modification.²⁹

Section 8.6 <u>Trade Payables</u>. The Sellers shall make all payments in respect of payables of the Business (including rent payments and sales taxes) arising from the date of this Agreement

²⁸⁻Note to Sellers: parenthetical deleted since Debt Commitment Letter is clearly included in the definition of Commitment Letter.

²⁹ Note to Sellers: deleted as duplicative we already give you a rep to this effect and it is not a covenant.

until the Closing Date in all material respects on a timely basis and shall otherwise manage the accounts payable of the business in accordance with the Sellers' cash management policies and practices (as in effect prior to the Petition Date) in the Ordinary Course of Business; provided that Seller's obligations pursuant to this Section 8.6 with respect to taxes are limited to taxes that are not Assumed Liabilities. Within fourteen (14) days following the date hereof, the Sellers shall deliver to Buyer an initial report containing an aging report for all payables of the Business allocated by vendor. For the period following the date of this Agreement until the Closing Date, Sellers shall make their employees and advisors (including the Chief Restructuring Officer) reasonably available (during business hours) upon reasonable advance notice from Buyer to answer any questions Buyer may have, and provide such additional information Buyer may reasonably request, with respect to any accrued payables of the Business.

ARTICLE IX

ADDITIONAL AGREEMENTS

Access to Information. Sellers agree that, prior to the Closing Date, Section 9.1 Buyer shall be entitled, through its officers, employees and representatives (including legal advisors. Financing Sources, consultants, appraisers and accountants), to make such investigation of the properties (including non-invasive environmental site assessments), businesses and operations of Sellers' businesses (including any of the Properties) and such examination of the Books and Records of Sellers' businesses, the Acquired Assets and the Assumed Liabilities as is reasonable (and reasonably requested) and to make extracts and copies of such Books and Records. Any such investigation and examination shall be conducted in a reasonable manner (and shall not unreasonably interfere with the operations of Sellers), during regular business hours upon reasonable advance notice and under reasonable circumstances and shall be subject to any applicable restrictions under applicable Law. Sellers shall cause the officers, employees, consultants, agents, accountants, attorneys and other representatives of Sellers to reasonably cooperate with Buyer and Buyer's representatives in connection with such investigation and examination, and Buyer and Buyer's representatives shall reasonably cooperate with Sellers and Sellers' representatives and Buyer and Buyer's representatives shall, at all times and at the discretion of Sellers, take all reasonable measures to minimize any disruption to Sellers' business. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, no such investigation or examination shall be permitted to the extent that it would (x) require any Seller to disclose information subject to attorney-client privilege, provided that Sellers shall use reasonable best efforts to provide information in response to such an investigation or examination in a form or manner that would not waive such attorney-client privilege (including by redacting or otherwise not disclosing any portion thereof the disclosure of which would jeopardize such privilege) or (y) conflict with any confidentiality obligations to which the Sellers or any of their Subsidiaries are bound.

Section 9.2 Tax-Related Undertakings and Characterization of the Transaction.

(a) Unless Buyer makes the election under <u>Section 2.12(b)</u> to treat all the transactions described in <u>Article II</u> as Designated Sale Transactions (resulting in no transfer of Sellers' Tax attributes to <u>Buyer</u>): (1) Buyer shall provide to Sellers detailed instructions as to steps to take (or not take) in order to secure and preserve the qualification of any of the transactions set forth in

this Agreement as a Tax Reorganization (except if and to the extent Buyer determines otherwise, in accordance with Section 2.12(b), in respect of a given transaction or a particular Seller) and to achieve the Tax Result, including, without limitation, with respect to (i) repayment, cancellation or settlement of, or other actions with respect to, intercompany accounts after the approval of the Bankruptcy Plan and on or before the Closing Date, (ii) the merger of any of Sellers' Subsidiaries with another Sellers' Subsidiaries after the approval of the Bankruptcy Plan and on or before the Closing Date or conversion of any of Sellers' Subsidiaries into limited liability companies with effect after the approval of the Bankruptcy Plan and on or before the Closing Date, (iii) the filing of any Tax elections to treat any such Subsidiaries as disregarded entities for U.S. federal income tax purposes with effect after the approval of the Bankruptcy Plan and on or before the Closing Date or otherwise taking such action to establish that such Subsidiaries have liquidated for tax purposes after the approval of the Bankruptcy Plan and on or before the Closing Date, (iv) implementation of the Distribution Requirement in a manner that is consistent with section 507 of the Bankruptcy Code, (v) satisfaction of the ownership requirements set forth in section 382(1)(5)(A)(ii) of the Code, and (vi) any other instructions that in the reasonable opinion of tax counsel for Buyer are necessary or desirable to ensure the qualification of the Tax Reorganization and the achievement of the Tax Result, and Sellers shall follow such instructions; provided that (A) such instructions shall not limit Sellers' discretion or actions in respect of (x) operating the Business and its other Assets in the Ordinary Course of Business and in compliance with the other provisions of this Agreement for all periods through the Closing Date, (y) disposing of any of its Assets if and to the extent permitted under the other provisions of this Agreement (z) taking or refraining from taking any action required by this Agreement or under the law, including if such actions would be inconsistent with its obligations under the Bankruptcy Code, (B) if requested by Sellers, Buyer's tax counsel shall deliver to Sellers a Tax Opinion that each and any such transaction (other than any Designated Sale Transactions) qualifies as a Tax Reorganization, and (C) nothing herein shall affect Buyer's liability for Taxes that are Assumed Liabilities; (2) subject to the preceding clause (1), Sellers agree to cooperate with Buyer in order that, for federal income Tax purposes, the transactions effected pursuant to this Agreement, together with the distributions made by, and liquidation of, Sellers pursuant to the Bankruptcy Plan, are treated as one or more plans of reorganization under section 368 of the Code and as qualifying as one or more reorganizations under section 368(a)(1)(G) of the Code (except if and to the extent Buyer determines otherwise, in accordance with Section 2.12(b), in respect of a given transaction or a particular Seller); and (3) any Tax Return in respect of a Tax imposed on any Seller for which Buyer is liable hereunder shall be prepared by Buyer, a copy of such Tax Return shall be provided to SHC at least thirty (30) days prior to the due date thereof, Buyer shall consider in good faith any reasonable comments provided by Sellers, Sellers shall, if necessary for filing, properly execute any such Tax Return, and Buyer shall timely and properly file any such Tax Return and pay the amount of any Taxes shown due on any such Tax Return.

(b) Sellers agree that (i) Buyer will suffer irreparable damage and harm in the event that any Seller does not comply with Section 9.2(a) or any instructions properly given by Buyer thereunder and that, although monetary damages may be available for such a breach, monetary damages would be an inadequate remedy therefor, and (ii) Buyer shall be entitled to an injunction or injunctions against any non-compliance with, and to seek specific performance of, the agreements and covenants set forth in Section 9.2(a) and any instructions properly given by

Buyer thereunder and (iii) this Agreement shall not become effective unless the Bankruptcy Court shall have specifically approved and confirmed the availability of such injunctive and specific performance remedy for the benefit of Buyer.

- shall make (if not previously made) a valid election, effective on or prior to the Closing Date, to be classified as an association taxable as a corporation for U.S. federal income Tax purposes (unless one or more Affiliated Designees shall acquire all of the Acquired Assets and assume all of the Assumed Liabilities). Buyer shall cause any Affiliated Designee (or its regarded owner for U.S. federal income Tax purposes, if applicable) to be classified as a corporation or an association taxable as a corporation for U.S. federal income Tax purposes at all times during the period beginning on the Closing Date and ending on the effective date of the Bankruptcy Plan.
- (d) For purposes of this Agreement, (x) Taxes (other than Property Taxes) imposed on or with respect to any the Acquired Assets, the Acquired Properties, the Business or the Assumed Liabilities with respect to a taxable period that commences on or prior to and ends after the Closing Date or the applicable Designation Assignment Date, as applicable (a "Straddle Period"), shall be allocated to the Pre-Assignment Tax Period based on a "closing of the books" method as of the end of the Closing Date or the applicable Designation Assignment Date, as applicable, and (y) Property Taxes for a Straddle Period shall be allocated to the Pre-Assignment Tax Period by multiplying the amount of such Property Taxes for the entire Straddle Period by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of days during the Straddle Period that are in the Pre-Assignment Tax Period and the denominator of which is the number of days in the entire Straddle Period.
- (e) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, from and after the Closing the Buyer will indemnify and hold each Seller (and its Affiliates) harmless from and against, and pay to such Seller (without duplication) the amount of any Taxes that are Assumed Liabilities.

Section 9.3 Miscellaneous Tax Matters.

(a) For purposes of Section 3.1(a)(iv), no later than thirty (30) days prior to the Closing Date, Seller shall deliver to Buyer a schedule showing the estimated amount of Transfer Taxes, together with supporting calculations and workpapers. Such schedule shall be deemed final unless Buyer notifies Seller in writing that Buyer objects to one or more items reflected in such schedule within ten (10) days after delivery of the schedule. In the event of any such objection, Buyer and Seller shall negotiate in good faith to resolve such dispute; provided, however, that if Buyer and Seller are unable to resolve any dispute with respect to the estimated Transfer Taxes within twenty (20) days after the delivery of the schedule, such dispute shall be resolved by the CPA Firm, the determination of which shall be final. The fees and expenses of the CPA Firm in connection therewith shall be borne equally by Buyer and Sellers. For the avoidance of doubt, the estimated amount of Transfer Taxes determined pursuant to this Section 9.3(a) shall not preclude the determination of a different amount pursuant to Section 9.3(e).

- Any sales, use, property transfer or gains, documentary, stamp, registration, recording or similar Tax (including, for certainty, goods and services tax, harmonized sales tax and land transfer tax) imposed on or payable in connection with the sale, transfer, assignment, conveyance or delivery of the Designation Rights, the Acquired Assets or the Assumed Liabilities (or any Excluded Asset pursuant to Section 2.8(d)) ("Transfer Taxes") shall be borne solely by Buyer. For the avoidance of doubt, regardless of the amount of estimated Transfer Taxes applied to reduce Purchase Price pursuant to Section 3.1(a)(iv), Buyer shall bear 100% of Transfer Taxes. Sellers and Buyer shall use reasonable efforts and cooperate in good faith in all matters relating to such Transfer Taxes (including with respect to the application of any exemption therefrom or reduction thereof). Buyer shall prepare and, except to the extent required by applicable Law to be filed by Sellers, Buyer shall file all necessary Tax Returns or other documents with respect to all such Transfer Taxes; provided, however, that in the event any such Tax Return requires execution by the other Party, the preparing Party shall prepare and deliver to the other Party a copy of such Tax Return at least three (3) Business Days before the due date thereof, and such other Party shall promptly execute such Tax Return and return it for filing. If Seller is required to file any such Tax Return, no later than three (3) Business Days before the due date of such Tax Return Buyer shall pay to Sellers the amount of Transfer Taxes shown on such Tax Return. Subject to the other provisions of this Agreement, the Parties shall reasonably cooperate with each other in any reasonable and lawful arrangement designed to minimize any applicable Transfer Taxes.
- Buyer and Sellers agree to furnish or cause to be furnished to each other, upon request, as promptly as practicable, such information and assistance relating to the Acquired Assets, the Properties, the Business or the Assumed Liabilities as is reasonably necessary for the filing of all Tax Returns, the making of any election relating to Taxes, and the preparation, prosecution or defense of or for any Tax Proceeding. Unless Buyer makes the election under Section 2.12(b) to treat all the transactions described in Article II as Designated Sale Transactions (resulting in no transfer of Sellers Tax attributes to Buyer), to the extent not addressed by the foregoing, Buyer and Sellers shall also furnish or cause to be furnished to each other all documentation and information of Sellers' or any of their Affiliates as reasonably requested in connection with (i) the treatment of the Transactions as one or more reorganizations under section 368 of the Code and/or in connection with qualifying for the application of section 382(1)(5) of the Code and (ii) the Tax basis, losses and credits (including carryovers), income. gains, deductions and other attributes or Tax items of Buyer or an Assignee that are dependent in whole or in part by the treatment of any such Tax item in any Pre-Assignment Tax Period. Any out-of-pocket expenses incurred in furnishing such information or assistance pursuant to this Section 9.3(c) shall be borne by the Party requesting it. Furthermore, except for any refund, asset or amount described in Section 2.2(h), Sellers shall pay (or cause to be paid) to Buyer any Tax refund actually received by Sellers or any Affiliate of Sellers that is an Acquired Asset, and any such refunds credited against future Taxes of the Sellers or their Subsidiaries (including any interest paid thereon and net of any reasonable out-of-pocket costs and any Taxes incurred in respect of the receipt thereof). Upon Buyer's reasonable request and at Buyer's sole cost and expense. Sellers shall (A) file (or cause to be filed) all Tax Returns (including amended Tax Returns) or other documents required to obtain such refunds and (B) take any such other action as may be reasonable and practicable to preserve Sellers' ability to file a refund claim for any Tax

year. Any payments required to be made under this <u>Section 9.3(c)</u> shall be made in immediately available funds, to an account or accounts as directed by Buyer, within ten (10) days after the actual receipt of the refund or the application of any such refunds as a credit against a future tax of Sellers or any Affiliate of Sellers.

- (d) Buyer shall pay (or cause to be paid) to Sellers any Tax refund, asset or amount described in Section 2.2(h) that is actually received by any Subsidiary of any Seller that is an Acquired Asset, Buyer or any Affiliate of Buyer, and any such refunds or amount credited against future Taxes to which any Subsidiary of any Seller that is an Acquired Asset, Buyer or any Affiliate of Buyer become entitled (including any interest paid thereon and net of any reasonable out-of-pocket costs and any Taxes incurred in respect of the receipt thereof). Upon Sellers' reasonable request and at Sellers' sole cost and expense, Buyer shall (A) file (or cause to be filed) all Tax Returns (including amended Tax Returns) or other documents required to obtain such refunds and (B) take any such other action as may be reasonable and practicable to preserve Buyer's ability to file a refund claim for any Tax year. Any payments required to be made under this Section 9.3(d) shall be made in immediately available funds, to an account or accounts as directed by Sellers, within ten (10) days after the actual receipt of the refund or the application of any such refunds as a credit against a future tax of any Subsidiary of any Seller that is an Acquired Asset, Buyer or any Affiliate of Buyer.
- As soon as practicable (and in any event within ninety (90) days) after the Closing Date, Buyer shall deliver to Sellers a schedule allocating the Purchase Price (including any Assumed Liabilities treated as consideration for the Acquired Assets for Tax purposes) (the "Allocation Schedule"). The Allocation Schedule shall allocate the Purchase Price among the Sellers and among the Acquired Assets acquired from each Seller, and shall be prepared in accordance with Section 1060 of the Code if Buyer makes the election under Section 2.12(b) to treat all the transactions described in Article II as Designated Sale Transactions (resulting in no transfer of Sellers' Tax attributes to Buyer), and in any case shall be prepared in accordance with applicable law to the extent necessary to comply with reporting in respect of applicable Transfer Taxes. The Allocation Schedule shall be deemed final unless Sellers notify Buyer in writing that Sellers object to one or more items reflected in the Allocation Schedule within forty-five (45) days after delivery of the Allocation Schedule. In the event of any such objection, Buyer and Sellers shall negotiate in good faith to resolve such dispute; provided, however, that if Buyer and Sellers are unable to resolve any dispute with respect to the Allocation Schedule within sixty (60) days after the delivery of the Allocation Schedule, such dispute shall be resolved by the CPA Firm. The fees and expenses of the CPA Firm in connection therewith shall be borne equally by Buyer and Sellers. Each of Buyer and Sellers agrees to file its respective federal, state and local Tax returns in accordance with the Allocation Schedule, and any adjustments to the Purchase Price pursuant to this Section 9.3 shall be allocated in a manner consistent with the Allocation Schedule. For the avoidance of doubt, the Parties shall cooperate in determining the portion of the Purchase Price allocable to the Acquired Assets that are subject to a Transfer Tax prior to the due date of the Tax Return required to be filed in connection with such Transfer Taxes; provided, that if the parties do not agree with respect to such determination, such matter shall be resolved in accordance with the determination of the CPA Firm; provided further, that such Tax Return

will be adjusted, as applicable, consistent with the procedures described above, to reflect any adjustments to the allocated Purchase Price.

- Section 9.4 Payments Received. Sellers, on the one hand, and Buyer, on the other hand, each agree that, after the Closing, each will hold and will promptly transfer and deliver to the other, from time to time as and when received by them, any cash, checks with appropriate endorsements (using their best efforts not to convert such checks into cash) or other property that they may receive on or after the Closing which properly belongs to the other in accordance with the terms of this Agreement and will account to the other for all such receipts.
- Post-Closing Books and Records and Personnel. For twelve (12) months Section 9.5 after the end of the Designation Rights Period, (a) neither Buyer nor any Seller shall dispose of or destroy any of the business records and files of the Properties or relating to any Acquired Assets and (b) Buyer and Sellers (including, for clarity, any trust established under a chapter 11 plan of Sellers or any other successors of Sellers) shall allow each other, any applicable Assignee and the Representatives of any of the foregoing reasonable access during normal business hours, and upon reasonable advance notice and to the extent permitted by applicable Law, to all employees, files, the Books and Records and other materials included in the Potential Acquired Assets for purposes relating to the Bankruptcy Case, the wind-down of the operations of Sellers, the functions of any such trusts or successors, or other reasonable business purposes, including Tax matters, litigation, or potential litigation, each as it relates to the Potential Acquired Assets or the Assumed Liabilities, and Buyer and Sellers (including any such trust or successors) and such Representatives shall have the right to make copies of any such files, books, records and other materials. In addition, from and after the Closing Date or the applicable Designation Assignment Date for a period of sixty (60) days, Sellers will permit Buyer, any applicable Assignee and their respective Representatives access to such personnel of Sellers during normal business hours as Buyer or any applicable Assignee may reasonably request to assist with the transfer of the applicable Acquired Assets (including any related Assigned Plans and Permits), provided that nothing in this Section 9.5 shall prohibit Sellers from ceasing operations or winding up their affairs following the end of the Designation Rights Period. Following the end of the Designation Rights Period, nothing in the foregoing shall be construed to prevent Sellers from winding down their operations and dissolving their business entities as is determined by Sellers (in their sole discretion) to be in their best interests.

Section 9.6 Confidentiality.

- (a) The terms of the Confidentiality Agreement shall continue in full force and effect until the Closing, at which time Buyer's and Seller's obligations under the Confidentiality Agreement shall terminate.
- (b) The Parties shall (i) treat and hold as confidential all Confidential Information of the other Parties and their Affiliates (which, as such term is used in this Section 9.6(b) shall mean the information provided to the receiving Party by or on behalf of a disclosing Party in connection with this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents and the Transactions) and (ii) not disclose any such Confidential Information a disclosing Party to any other Person without the prior written consent of such disclosing Party, in each case for so long as such information

remains Confidential Information. In the event any receiving Party is requested or required (by oral or written request for information or documents in any legal proceeding, interrogatory, subpoena, civil investigative demand or similar process or by applicable Law) to disclose any Confidential Information of a disclosing Party provided in accordance with this Section 9.6(b). then such receiving Party shall, to the extent legally permitted, notify the disclosing Party promptly of the request or requirement so the disclosing Party, at its expense, may seek an appropriate protective Order or waive compliance with this Section 9.6(b). If, in the absence of a protective Order or receipt of a waiver hereunder, the receiving Party is, on the advice of counsel, compelled to disclose such Confidential Information, the applicable receiving Party may so disclose such Confidential Information; provided that the applicable receiving Party shall use commercially reasonable efforts to obtain reliable assurance that confidential treatment will be accorded to such Confidential Information. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the provisions of this Section 9.6(b) shall not prohibit the disclosure of Confidential Information by the receiving Party to the extent reasonably required (i) to comply with applicable Law or any regulatory authority or self-regulatory organization having jurisdiction or of which a Party is a member, (ii) in connection with asserting any rights or remedies or performing any obligations under this Agreement or any of the Transaction Documents or (iii) to such Party's Affiliates and Representatives. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the provisions of this Section 9.6(b) shall not apply to information that (A) is or becomes publicly available other than as a result of a disclosure by any receiving Party in violation of this Agreement, (B) is or becomes available to a receiving Party on a non-confidential basis from a source that, to the receiving Party's knowledge, is not prohibited from disclosing such information by a legal, contractual or fiduciary obligation, or (C) is or has been independently developed by a receiving Party. For the avoidance of doubt, following the Closing, all Confidential Information relating to the Business. the Acquired Assets or the Assumed Liabilities shall be deemed to be Confidential Information of Buyer.

Section 9.7 Employment Offers.

- (a) Buyer shall make an offer of employment to any Business Employee represented by a labor union and whose terms and conditions of employment are covered by a collective bargaining agreement ("Represented Employees") using reasonable best efforts to comply with the requirements of any such collective bargaining agreement. For any Business Employee not represented by a labor union ("Non-Represented Employees"), Buyer shall, or shall cause any of its Subsidiaries to, (i) no later than five (5) days prior to the Closing Date, use reasonable best efforts to provide a written offer of employment in a comparable position to, effective as of 11:59 p.m., local time, on the Closing Date each of such Business Employees, or (ii) to the extent required by and in accordance with applicable Law, enter into employment agreements with each of such Business Employees. Those Business Employees, including both Represented Employees and Non-Represented Employees, who accept such offer of employment on or before the Closing Date in accordance with the provisions of such offer and continue employment with Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries, shall be referred to as "Transferred Employees."
- (b) Subject to the last sentence of this <u>Section 9.7(b)</u> and except as otherwise expressly provided in this <u>Section 9.7(b)</u>, with respect to each Transferred Employee who

remains employed by Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries, Buyer shall, or shall cause any of its Subsidiaries to, provide for the period commencing on the Closing Date and ending on the last day of the calendar year in which the Closing Date occurs Sellers' fiscal year ending in 2020. subject to such Transferred Employee's continued employment with Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries (as applicable) (i) (A) base salary or hourly wage rate and (B) a target short-term cash incentive opportunity, in each of (A) and (B), that is at least equal to the base salary or wages and target short-term cash incentive opportunity, respectively, provided to such Transferred Employee immediately prior to the Closing Date and (ii) a group health and welfare plan and, subject to and in accordance with Section 9.7(k), a 401(k) plan, qualified under Sections 401(a) and 401(k) of the Code ("401(k) Plan"), that are substantially comparable in the aggregate to the group health and welfare plan and 401(k) Plan under which such Transferred Employee participates as of the date hereof. For the avoidance of doubt, (x) the terms of this Section 9.7(b) shall apply notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any non-solicitation or similar agreement currently entered into by Buyer or any of its Affiliates and Sellers and (y) from and after the date hereof, no such non-solicitation or similar agreement by Buyer and any Seller or any affiliate thereof entered into prior to the date hereof shall prevent Buyer from hiring (or seeking to hire) any employee of Sellers. The Parties agree to cooperate in good faith to coordinate the establishment of benefit plans and arrangements so as to satisfy the obligations set forth in this Section 9.7(b)(ii).

- (c) Except as otherwise provided under the terms of the applicable Employee Plan, each Transferred Employee shall be given credit for all service with Sellers under all employee benefit plans, programs and policies and fringe benefits of the Business or Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries in which they become participants (i) for purposes of eligibility, participation, and vesting (but not benefit accruals), and (ii) with respect to any vacation and severance plans, programs or arrangements of Buyer or its Subsidiaries, for purposes of determining the level of benefits except to the extent such crediting would result in duplication of benefits with respect to the same period of service.
- If a Transferred Employee becomes eligible to participate in a medical, dental or health plan of Buyer (or its Subsidiaries), Buyer shall, or shall cause its Subsidiaries to, to the extent permitted by (x) applicable Law and (y) the terms of the applicable medical, dental or health plan of Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries in which the Transferred Employee participates following the Closing, cause the plan provider of such plan to (i) waive any preexisting condition limitations to the extent such pre-existing condition limitations would not have been applicable under the applicable medical, dental or health plans of Sellers as of immediately prior to the Closing Date and (ii) credit any complete or partial satisfaction of any deductible and out-ofpocket expenses incurred by the Transferred Employee and his or her dependents under the applicable Seller's or its Subsidiaries' medical, dental or health plans during the portion of the calendar year in which the Closing Date occurs. Buyer agrees to use commercially reasonable efforts to cause a medical, dental and health plan provider to provide such waivers and credits contemplated by the first (1st) sentence of this Section 9.7(d). If a Transferred Employee becomes eligible to participate in a group term life insurance plan maintained by Buyer or its Subsidiaries, Buyer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause such plan to waive any medical certification for such Transferred Employee up to the amount of coverage the

Transferred Employee had under the life insurance plan of Sellers (but subject to any limits on the maximum amount of coverage under Buyer's life insurance plan).

- (e) Except as required by Law or an applicable bargaining agreement or as otherwise agreed in writing by the Parties, Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries shall provide severance and other separation benefits to each Transferred Employee terminated by Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries within the period commencing on the Closing Date and ending on the last day of the calendar year in which the Closing Date occurs that are at least equal to the severance and other separation benefits provided by Seller and its Subsidiaries to such Transferred Employee as in effect immediately prior to the Petition Date, it being understood that such severance and other separation benefits do not include any long-term incentive, equity incentive, defined benefit pension or retiree welfare or life insurance benefits.
- (f) Except as prohibited by applicable Law, each offer letter shall provide that by accepting employment with Buyer the Business Employee is acknowledging that Buyer is assuming, and Buyer shall assume all vacation days and other paid time off accrued but not yet taken by each Transferred Employee through the Closing Date, in accordance with their terms as of the date hereof. To the extent that applicable Law prohibits a Transferred Employee's vacation from being assumed by Buyer and requires that a Transferred Employee to be paid for any vacation days and other paid time off accrued but not yet taken by such Transferred Employee as of the Closing Date without regard to any acknowledgement by such Transferred Employee to the contrary, Sellers shall pay each Transferred Employee for such vacation days.
- (g) Sellers agree to pay to the Transferred Employees any bonus (including any related payroll Taxes) that such Transferred Employees would have been paid had they remained employees of Sellers through the date the bonus in respect of the fiscal year ending February 2, 2019.
- (h) Buyer and Seller agree to cooperate in good faith to ensure that Transferred Employees do not experience a break in health coverage from and after the Closing Date. Buyer shall take commercially reasonable efforts to provide or make available the health coverage required by Section 4980B of the Code available with respect to any individual who is an "M&A Qualified Beneficiary" (as defined in Treasury Regulation Section 54.49806-9 (Q&A 4) of the Code) as the result of the consummation of the Transactions.
- (i) From and after the Closing Date, subject in all respects to the limitations set forth in Section 2.3(k), Buyer shall, within thirty (30) days following written demand by the Seller, with such supporting documentation as the Buyer shall reasonably request, reimburse the Sellers for the payment of any cash severance or other cash separation pay, and Seller's portion of any related employment and payroll Taxes, made by any Seller to any employee of any Seller whose employment with any of the Sellers terminated following the Petition Date or terminates on, or following the Closing Date (it being understood that this does not include any Transferred Employees who shall have become the employees of Buyer and its Subsidiaries and shall be covered by Buyer's obligations as set forth in Section 9.7(b)), to the extent of the cash severance or other cash separation pay that has been paid on or following the Petition Date and prior to the Closing Date or would have been due and payable had such employee's employment been

terminated by any of the Sellers immediately prior to the date hereof (the reimbursement Liabilities of Buyer set forth in this Section 9.7(i), including with respect to any related employment and payroll Taxes, the "Severance Reimbursement Obligations").

Transferred Employees (and their dependents) under the employee welfare benefit plans of Sellers prior to the Closing. Buyer shall be liable for all medical, dental and health claims incurred by Transferred Employees (and their dependents) under the employee welfare benefit plans of Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries on or after the Closing. For purposes of this Section 9.7(i) Section 9.7(j), a claim shall be deemed to have been incurred on the date on which the medical or other treatment or service was rendered and not the date of the inception of the related illness or injury or the date of submission of a claim related thereto; provided, that claims relating to a hospital confinement that begins on or before the Closing but continues thereafter shall be treated as incurred before the Closing. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, with respect to any Business Employee who becomes a Transferred Employee following the Closing, any reference in this Section 9.7(j) to the Closing will be deemed to be references to the date such Business Employee becomes a Transferred Employee.

(k) U.S. Savings Plan.

- (i) As soon as practicable following the Closing Date, Buyer shall, or shall cause its Subsidiaries to, establish a new savings plan or designate an existing savings plan qualified under Section 401(a) of the Code and including a cash or deferred feature under Section 401(k) of the Code and a related trust thereunder which shall be exempt under Section 501(a) of the Code ("Buyer's Savings Plan") that will permit participation by all Transferred Employees who are participating in Seller's or its Subsidiaries' 401(k) Plan ("Seller's Savings Plan") as of the Closing Date.
- (ii) No assets or liabilities of Seller's Savings Plan shall be transferred to Buyer's Savings Plan, other than in connection with a rollover of a Transferred Employee's account balance under Seller's Savings Plan. Except as could reasonably be expected to cause the Buyer's Savings Plan to cease to qualify under Section 401(a) and 401(k) of the Code or cause the trust to cease to be qualified under Section 501(a) of the code or otherwise result in the Buyer or its Affiliates incurring any penalties thereunder, Buyer shall permit the Transferred Employees to roll over into Buyer's Savings Plan any rollover distribution (in cash or loan notes of any "eligible rollover distribution" (within the meaning of Section 402(c)(4) of the Code)). Effective as of the Closing, Seller shall and shall cause it Subsidiaries to take any action necessary to ensure that the accounts of each Transferred Employee in Seller's Savings Plan shall be fully vested and nonforfeitable.
- (l) The Parties acknowledge and agree that all provisions contained in this Section 9.7 are included for the sole benefit of the respective Parties and shall not create any right (i) in any other person, including any Business Employees, Transferred Employees, current or former employees of Seller, any participant in any Employee Plan or any compensation or benefit plan, program, agreement or arrangement of Buyer or its Subsidiaries or any beneficiary

- thereof or (ii) in any other person, to continued employment with Buyer or its Subsidiaries or particular compensation or benefits coverage in any compensation or benefit plan, program, agreement or arrangement of Buyer or its Subsidiaries. The provisions of this <u>Section 9.7</u> shall not constitute an amendment to any Employee Plan or any plan, program, agreement or arrangement maintained by Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries.
- (m) Sellers and Buyer hereby agree to follow the "alternate procedure" for employment tax reporting as provided in Section 5 of Rev. Proc. 2004-53, 2004-34 I.R.B. 320 for each Transferred Employee and to cooperate with each other in furtherance thereof. Provided that Sellers provide Buyer with all necessary payroll records for the calendar year which includes the date on which the Transferred Employee commences employment with Buyer, Buyer, and not Sellers, shall furnish a Form W-2 to each Transferred Employee, disclosing all wages and other compensation paid for such calendar year, and taxes withheld therefrom.

Section 9.8 Owned Real Property.

- (a) Seller shall pay when due any and all Occupancy Expenses with respect to each Owned Real Property solely to the extent arising during the period commencing on the Petition Date through the Closing Date.
- From the date hereof through the Closing Date, Seller shall use commercially reasonable efforts to maintain and preserve each Owned Real Property and all related Acquired Assets in a condition substantially similar to the their present condition. Prior to Closing, Seller shall not without Buyer's consent, and shall not solicit any other Person to, (A) sell, transfer, assign, convey, lease, license, mortgage, pledge or otherwise encumber any Owned Real Property or related Acquired Asset (other than sales of Inventory in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, Permitted Encumbrances and any applicable statutory liens (solely to the extent that such Owned Real Property or related Acquired Asset will be transferred free and clear of such statutory liens pursuant to the applicable transfer document)), (B) grant or terminate any other interests in any Owned Real Property or related Acquired Asset, (C) cancel or compromise any claim or waive or release any right, in each case that is related to any Owned Real Property or any related Acquired Assets (for the avoidance of doubt, other than any Excluded Assets), (D) take any action with respect to Taxes or Tax matters that could reasonably be expected to result in an Encumbrance on any Owned Real Property or related Acquired Assets (other than Permitted Encumbrances) or (E) enter into any agreement or commitment to take any action prohibited by this Section 9.8(b).
- (c) From and after the date hereof through Closing, Sellers shall bear the risk of loss or damage to the Owned Real Property and Seller shall continue all insurance policies with respect to the Owned Real Property or policies providing substantially similar coverages to the extent available at commercially reasonable rates (and in all instances without any reductions in the amounts of available coverage), including comprehensive public liability, casualty and umbrella liability insurance, and shall cause Buyer to be named as a loss payee or additional insured, as applicable, with respect to all such policies. Seller shall pay to Buyer on the Closing Date all insurance recoveries and all warranty and condemnation proceeds received or receivable after the date hereof with respect to the Owned Real Property. In connection with any payment

of recoveries or proceeds under this Section 9.8(c), (i) such payment of recoveries or proceeds shall not include any recoveries or proceeds to the extent attributable to lost rents or similar costs applicable to any period prior to the Closing or paid in connection with repair, restoration or replacement during such period, and (ii) to the extent that Buyer has received written notice thereof in reasonable detail not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the Closing, such payment of recoveries or proceeds shall be reduced by the amount of (x) all actual and documented, reasonable out of pocket repair costs incurred by Sellers in connection with the repair or restoration of such damage or destruction, (y) all actual and documented, reasonable out of pocket collection costs of Sellers respecting any awards or other proceeds, and (z) any amounts required to be paid (and solely to the extent actually paid) by Sellers or the insurance company to the applicable landlord under the Lease, if applicable, or to such landlord's lender as required pursuant to any of such lender's financing, as applicable.

Section 9.9 Title Matters.

- Buyer, at its own discretion and sole expense, may order preliminary title reports from a nationally recognized title company (the "Title Company") with respect to any of the Leased Premises or Owned Real Property (the property covered by such reports being referred to herein as the "Titled Property"). Seller shall at no cost, expense or Liability to Seller, cooperate in good faith with Buyer and the Title Company in connection with the compilation of title to the Titled Property and in connection with any efforts by Buyer to obtain title insurance policies pursuant thereto on behalf of itself and/or its lender, including, in the case of any efforts by Buyer to obtain lender's title insurance policies on behalf of its lender, by providing reasonable affidavits and other similar instruments as are reasonably required by the Title Company for the deletion of any standard or printed exceptions in such lender's title insurance policies that are customarily deleted by virtue of a seller delivering such instruments in commercial real estate transactions in the state or province in which the Titled Property which is the subject of such lender's title insurance policy is located. Subject to the foregoing proviso, such cooperation by Seller and its Subsidiaries shall include providing Buyer and the Title Company copies of, with respect to Titled Property, reasonably requested existing surveys, maps, existing title reports and title insurance policies and true and complete copies of the encumbrance documents identified therein, to the extent the same are in the possession of Seller or its Subsidiaries and are not publicly available.
- (b) [Sellers shall use reasonable best efforts to resolve the claims of mechanic's liens identified in section 2 of Schedule 6.5 prior to Closing, including so that the related Leased Real Property or Owned Real Property in each instance is unencumbered by and lien of record securing such claim. In each case where Sellers fail to resolve the claim identified in such section 2 of Schedule 6.5 (such resolution to be reflected by customary documentation evidencing a release of the subject claim and of any related liens), including where a lien securing such claim

remains of record, as of Closing, the Purchase Price shall be reduced by the amount of such unresolved claim or unreleased lien.]³⁰¹⁶

Section 9.10 Use of Name. Sellers agree that they shall (i) as soon as practicable after the Closing Date and in any event within onesix (16) yearmonths following the Closing Date, cease to make use of the Trademarks included in the Acquired Intellectual Property and change the Business Names of all of their applicable Affiliates to a Business Name that does not consist of, contain or incorporate any Trademarks included in the Acquired Intellectual Property, provided that as soon as practicable after the Closing Date and in any event within thirty (30) days following the Closing Date. Sellers shall cease to make use of the Trademarks included in the Acquired Intellectual Property in connection with the Business, and (ii) as promptly as practicable after the Closing Date, file a motion with the Bankruptcy Court to amend the caption of the Bankruptcy Cases to reflect a change in the name of the Sellers in accordance with the foregoing clause (i) and (iii) immediately after the Closing, cease to hold themselves out as having any affiliation with the Acquired Assets. Sellers shall promptly deliver to Buyer any relevant documentation evidencing such name change, including any name change amendment and name change notice filed with or submitted to any Governmental Authority in each jurisdiction in which such Seller or Affiliates of Seller is qualified to do business. Nothing in this Section 9.10 shall prohibit Sellers' use of such Trademarks to the extent that such use (a) is required by Law to wind down Sellers' estate or (b) constitutes nominative or descriptive fair use under United States Laws, which refers to Sellers and would not cause confusion as to the origin of a good or service, including in accurately stating the historical relationship between Sellers and Buyer for information purposes (and in a non-Trademark manner) in historical, tax and similar records.

Section 9.11 <u>Apportionments</u>. All charges and fees payable for telephone services, water, sewer rents heat, steam, electric power, gas and other utilities, at the price charged by the suppliers, including any taxes thereon and based upon applicable meter readings, where available, made on or immediately prior to or immediately after the Closing Date (and credits therefor to the extent paid prior to the Closing Date) that relate to Owned Real Property shall be apportioned between Sellers, on the one hand, and Buyer, on the other hand, as of midnight on the Closing Date for the period that begins prior to the Closing Date and ends after the Closing Date.

Section 9.12 <u>Intercompany IP Agreement; Sublicenses.</u> As of the Closing Date, all Intercompany IP Agreements and all sublicenses to any Person thereunder, in each case that are not assigned to Buyer or assumed and assigned in accordance with this Agreement, shall be, and are hereby, automatically terminated. Sellers shall take all necessary actions to cause such licenses, grants or sublicenses that are not terminated by virtue of the foregoing sentence to be terminated at the Closing Date. The foregoing provision shall not affect any sublicenses (i)

Note to Draft: Treatment of mechanics' liens subject to ongoing business discussions.

Note to Draft: Subject to confirmation that this is consistent with Buyer assuming Excluded Asset-Sale Taxes in connection with a Tax Reorganization and with Section 2.1(i).

under which neither any Seller nor any Affiliate of any Seller is the sublicensee and, (ii) that are not terminated pursuant to this Section 9.12 and (iii) that continue pursuant to the terms of the Intercompany IP Agreements or the relevant sublicense agreement.

Section 9.13 Release. Effective upon the Closing, in consideration for the payment by Buyer of the Release Consideration, each Seller, for itself and on behalf of each of its former, present and future Subsidiaries and controlled Affiliates (each of the foregoing, a "Seller Releasing Party"), hereby releases and forever discharges each Buyer Related Party, from any and all Claims of every kind and nature, whether foreseen or unforeseen, contingent or actual, and whether now known or hereafter discovered, which any of the Seller Releasing Parties had, now has or may in the future have, at law or in equity, including, without limitation, and for the avoidance of doubt, any Claims arising under or relating to sections 502(d), 544, 545, 547, 548, 549, 550, and 553 of the Bankruptcy Code against any Buyer Related Party in any way arising out of, in connection with, pertaining to or by reason of (a) any transactions between any Seller and any Buyer Related Party prior to the Closing Date, except for claims under this Agreement or (b) where applicable, the service at any time by any Buyer Related Party as an officer or director of any Seller or any Seller's Affiliate (the "Buyer Party Release"). Each Seller Releasing Party covenants and agrees that (x) it is and will continue to be bound by the Buyer Party Release, (y) will not take any action inconsistent with such release (including commencing any Proceeding with respect to, or directly or indirectly transferring to another Person, any claim so released), and (z) will not take any action to support in any way whatsoever, any action by another Person to assert any Claim against a Buyer Related Party, provided, however, that the foregoing shall not limit the ability of a Seller Releasing Party to comply with any legal obligation to provide documents or testimony in connection with any Claim asserted by another Person.

Section 9.14 KCD IP and KCD Notes Covenants.

- (a) Commencing as of the date hereof (and, for the avoidance of doubt, continuing after the Closing Date), Sellers shall not, and shall cause all of their Affiliates (including KCD IP, LLC) not to, (i) sell, transfer, assign, encumber, allow to lapse, abandon, cancel, fail to renew, fail to continue to prosecute, protect or defend, or otherwise dispose of or convey, any KCD IP, (ii) license, sublicense or grant any Person (other than Buyer and its Affiliates) any rights to, as applicable, any KCD IP or (iii) amend, renew or terminate (or fail to exercise termination rights or option rights with respect to) any Contract pursuant to which any Seller or any of its Affiliates has granted, prior to the date hereof, any license, sublicense, covenant not to sue or other rights under any KCD IP, in each case of the foregoing without the prior written consent of Buyer in its sole discretion.
- (b) As soon as reasonably practicable after the date hereof and in any event prior to the Closing Date, Sellers shall use reasonable best efforts to cause KCD IP, LLC to grant, effective as of the Closing, a perpetual, irrevocable (provided that, if Buyer commits a material breach of its obligations under the Exclusive License, and KCD IP, LLC gives notice to Buyer specifying the basis for termination and Buyer fails to cure, resolve or remediate the basis for the breach within ninety (90) days after such notice is provided, KCD IP, LLC may convert the exclusive license granted under the Exclusive License to a non-exclusive license; and provided, further, that if Buyer fails to cure, resolve or remediate the basis for such material breach within

one hundred twenty (120) days after such notice is provided, KCD IP, LLC may, upon notice to Buyer, suspend the license with respect to the uses that cause the material breach until such cure, resolution or remediation has been effected), worldwide, sublicensable (in connection with uses and sublicensees of the same type and scope as those for which sublicenses were granted by Sellers under the KCD IP prior to the date hereof and, subject to the consent of KCD IP, LLC-in certain circumstances that shall be set forth in the Exclusive License, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed, in connection with other uses and sublicensees), transferable (subject to the consent of KCD IP, LLC in certain circumstances that shall be set forth in A) in whole to an Affiliate of Buyer or (B) in connection with a sale of assets, properties. rights or businesses associated with the Kenmore Marks included in the KCD IP or with the DieHard Marks included in the KCD IP, provided that all of the rights and obligations under the applicable Exclusive License are assigned, provided that such third party assumes in writing all of the rights and responsibilities of Buyer under the Exclusive License, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed) exclusive license (but subject to (i) any licenses under the KCD IP in effect as of the Closing Date and (ii) the license to Service.com in the form of Exhibit E of the SHIP Purchase Agreement contemplated to be entered into in connection with the SHIP Purchase Agreement) to Buyer under all of the KCD IP used or held for use by Sellers as of the date hereof (including, for the avoidance of doubt, the Kenmore Marks and the DieHard Marks, in each case owned by KCD IP, LLC) for all purposes in connection with the Buyer's businesses (including the Business) and the natural evolutions thereof; such license. The Exclusive License shall include the same quality control provisions as set forth in the Kenmore License Agreement, dated as of March 18, 2006, by and between KCD IP, LLC and KMART Corporation, as amended by that certain First Amendment to Kenmore License Agreement dated as of November 29, 2009 and that certain Second Amendment to Kenmore License Agreement dated as of March 7, 2012 and shall provide that KCD IP, LLC, as licensor, will continue to maintain its rights to enforce, maintain and defend the Intellectual Property licensed under the Exclusive License in the first instance. The Exclusive License shall otherwise be in the form proposed by Buyer and any additional terms (for the avoidance of doubt, other than the terms set forth in this Section 9.14(b)) shall above) must be reasonably acceptable to Sellers (Sellers' review and approval not to be unreasonably withheld, delayed or conditioned, provided that it shall not be unreasonable for Sellers to not accept any such additional terms that would they reasonably cause the Exclusive consider render the Llicense to constitute a sale, transfer or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of KCD IP, LLC), and The Exclusive License shall be subject to royalties equal to those in effect as of the date hereof under, (ix) with respect to the Kenmore Marks, the Kenmore License Agreement, dated as of March 18, 2006, by and between KCD IP, LLC and KMART Corporation, as amended by that certain First Amendment to Kenmore License Agreement dated as of November 29, 2009 and that certain Second Amendment to Kenmore License Agreement dated as of March 7, 2012 and (#iy) with respect to the DieHard Marks, the DieHard License Agreement, dated as of March 18, 2006, by and between KCD IP, LLC and KMART Corporation, as amended by that certain First Amendment to DieHard License Agreement dated as of November 29, 2009 and that certain Second Amendment to DieHard License Agreement dated as of March 7, 2012, provided that the terms of the Exclusive License license taken collectively shall not constitute a sale, transfer or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of KCD IP, LLC.

- (c) In the event that, despite Sellers' reasonable best efforts, KCD IP, LLC has not irrevocably agreed to grant Buyer the Exclusive License effective as of the Closing Date by the date that is ten (10) days prior to the Closing, and provided that any such delay is not due to Buyer's acts or omissions, then at Buyer's election, Sellers shall, prior to the Closing, use reasonable best efforts to obtain any Consent from KCD IP, LLC necessary to assign to Buyer those KCD Agreements that are designated for assignment and assumption by written notice of Buyer pursuant to this Agreement, and assume and assign such KCD Agreements in accordance with this Agreement (such that such KCD Agreements are Assigned Agreements as contemplated herein).
- In the event that, despite Sellers' reasonable best efforts, KCD IP, LLC's Consent (d) described in the above clause (c) is not obtained by the date that is five (5) days prior to the Closing, and provided that any such delay is not due to Buyer's acts or omissions, then (i) Sellers shall, prior to the Closing, assume all KCD Agreements that provide Sellers with the right to sublicense KCD IP to Buyer that are designated only for assumption by written notice of Buyer and (ii) effective as of the Closing Date, Sellers hereby grant to Buyer, a perpetual, irrevocable, worldwide, royalty-bearing (as described in Section 9.14(b)) further sublicensable, transferable sublicense under all of the KCD IP used or held for use by Sellers as of the date hereof (including, for the avoidance of doubt, the Kenmore Marks and the DieHard Marks, in each case owned by KCD IP, LLC) for all purposes in connection with the businesses of Buyer (including the Business) and the natural evolutions thereof, provided that to the extent Sellers cannot grant the foregoing, Sellers hereby grant to Buyer a sublicense of the broadest scope that Sellers can grant under all the KCD Agreements assumed by Sellers pursuant to this clause (d). For the purpose of this Section 9.14(d)(ii), any such sublicense granted to Buyer is subject to (x) any licenses under the KCD IP in effect as of the Closing Date and (y) the license to Service.com in the form of Exhibit E of the SHIP Purchase Agreement contemplated to be entered into in connection with the SHIP Purchase Agreement), and shall be of the broadest scope that Sellers can grant under, and subject to the terms of the relevant KCD Agreement. Buyer shall ensure that its use of the KCD IP, as provided in this Section 9.14(d), shall only be with respect to goods and services of a substantially similar level of quality to the goods and services with respect to which Sellers used the KCD IP prior to the Closing. For the avoidance of doubt, (i) Sellers shall not reject, seek to terminate or agree to terminate the KCD Agreements assumed pursuant to this Section 9.14(d) or amend or agree to amend such Contracts in any manner that narrows any of the licenses thereunder and (ii) to the extent that Sellers cease to exist or the KCD Agreements assumed pursuant to this Section 9.14(d) expire or terminate, the sublicense granted herein shall survive.
- (e) Solely with respect to the Exclusive License or any sublicense granted pursuant to Section 9.14(d)(ii), Buyer agrees that (A) Sellers and their Affiliates (including KCD IP, LLC) shall have no responsibility for claims by third parties arising out of, or relating to, Buyer's use of the KCD IP in any manner and (B) in addition to any and all remedies, from and after the Closing, Buyer shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless Sellers and their Affiliates (including KCD IP, LLC), for so long as any Seller or Affiliate of Seller is in existence, from and against any and all third party claims that may arise out of use of such KCD IP by or on behalf of Buyer or any of its Affiliates or assignees, in each case other than claims that the KCD IP infringes the

Intellectual Property of any third party. Except as provided in the foregoing sentence, all Intellectual Property licensed under this Section 9.14(b) or Section 9.14(d)(ii) is licensed "as-is" with all faults, without warranty of any kind (whether express, implied, statutory or otherwise), and Seller does not make, and Buyer hereby specifically disclaims, any representations or warranties (whether express or implied, statutory or otherwise). For the avoidance of doubt, with respect to Section 9.14(c), the allocation of the foregoing shall be determined by the applicable KCD Agreements that are designated for assignment and assumption by written notice of Buyer pursuant to this Agreement.

- (f) For clarity, and not in limitation of the foregoing, Buyer (or its applicable designee) may grant a security interest in any or all of its rights and benefits under Section 9.14(b), Section 9.14(c) or Section 9.14(d) for collateral purposes to the Financing Sources in connection with the Debt Financing.
- (g) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, Seller shall not transfer the KCD Notes to Buyer, and Buyer shall not assume the PA Liabilities from Seller, unless and until Seller has received the requisite consent of the Bermuda Monetary Authority to the transfer of the KCD Notes (the "BMA Consent"). Immediately following receipt of the BMA Consent, the transfer of the KCD Notes and the assumption of the PA Liabilities shall take place simultaneously. From the Closing Date until such time as the transfer of the KCD Notes and the assumption of the PA Liabilities occurs, pursuant to a services agreement to be in a form mutually agreeable to Seller and Buyer, (i) Buyer shall provide services to the applicable Sellers sufficient to enable Sellers to perform the PA Liabilities and (ii) in consideration for such services, Sellers shall pay to Buyer an amount equal to the aggregate of all amounts paid by Buyer with respect to any licenses under which Buyer licenses the KCD IP.

ARTICLE X

CONDITIONS PRECEDENT TO THE OBLIGATION OF BUYER TO CLOSE

Buyer's obligation to consummate the Transactions is subject to the satisfaction or waiver, as of the Closing, of each of the following conditions; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that Buyer may not rely on the failure of any condition set forth in this <u>Article X</u> if such failure was caused by Buyer's failure to comply with any provision of this Agreement or if such failure was caused by any action or failure to act by Seller at the direction of any Buyer Related Party:

Section 10.1 Accuracy of Representations. The representations and warranties of Sellers contained in Article VI shall be true and correct as of the Closing Date as though made on and as of the Closing Date (except that those representations and warranties which address matters only as of a particular date need only be true and correct as of such date); provided, however, that the condition in this Section 10.1 shall be deemed to be satisfied so long as any failure of such representations and warranties to be true and correct (without giving effect to any limitation as to "materiality" or "Material Adverse Effect" set forth therein), individually or in the aggregate, has not had and would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

- Section 10.2 <u>Sellers' Performance</u>. Sellers shall have performed and complied with in all material respects the covenants and agreements that Sellers are required to perform or comply with pursuant to this Agreement at or prior to the Closing, and Buyer shall have received a certificate of Sellers to such effect signed by a duly authorized officer thereof.
- Section 10.3 No Material Adverse Effect. Since the date of this Agreement, there shall not have been any Effect that, individually or in the aggregate, has had or could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.
- Section 10.4 No Order. No Governmental Authority shall have enacted, issued, promulgated or entered any Order which is in effect and has the effect of making illegal or otherwise prohibiting the consummation of the Transactions (a "Closing Legal Impediment").
- Section 10.5 <u>Governmental Authorizations</u>. Any applicable waiting period required by the HSR Act and any extensions thereof, or any timing agreements, understandings or commitments obtained by request or other action of the FTC and/or the Antitrust Division, as applicable, and any other waiting period under any applicable antitrust or competition Law shall have expired or been terminated.
- Section 10.6 <u>Sellers' Deliveries</u>. Without limiting <u>Section 10.2</u>, each of the deliveries required to be made to Buyer pursuant to <u>Section 4.3</u> have been so delivered, except for such deliveries which, by their nature, cannot be made on or prior to the Closing.
- Section 10.7 <u>Approval Order</u>. The Bankruptcy Court shall have entered the Approval Order, and the Approval Order shall not have been stayed, vacated or modified.
- Section 10.8 Seritage Master Lease. The Seritage Master Lease shall have been amended to provide that those certain Assets that are leased to any applicable Sellers from Seritage are leased to Buyer on the current terms and conditions set forth in the Seritage Master Lease.
- Section 10.910.8 Personally Identifiable Information. [The Bankruptcy Court shall have entered an order (which may be the Approval Order) with respect to the personally identifiable information related to or collected from Sellers' customers, consumers and end users, allowing all such personally identifiable information to be sold and transferred to Buyer, subject to no conditions or restrictions other than conditions or restrictions consistent in all material respects with the conditions and restrictions set forth on Exhibit F.]
- Section 10.1010.9 KCD IP. Sellers shall have (i) caused KCD IP, LLC to grant the Exclusive License in accordance with Section 9.14(b), (ii) obtained any Consent of KCD IP, LLC required under Section 9.14(c) and assigned to Buyer as of the Closing Date all KCD Agreements referenced therein or (iii) assumed all KCD Agreements effective as of the Closing

Date that provide Sellers with the right to sublicense KCD IP to Buyer that are designated only for assumption by written notice of Buyer in accordance with Section 9.14(d). 2218

Section 10.11 10.10 Inventory and Receivables. (i) The Cost The aggregate amount of (i) the Inventory Value of the Acquired Inventory (excluding any Pending Inventory)—as determined in accordance with Section 3.4 shall be at least \$1,553,000,000 and, (ii) the sum of the amounts due to Seller with respect to (A) the Credit Card Accounts Receivable and (Biii) the Pharmacy Receivables shall be at least \$104,000,000.1,657,000,000. To the extent that the aggregate amount of items (i) through (iii) in the foregoing sentence exceeds \$1,657,000,000 on the Closing Date, Sellers may reduce such amount to be equal to \$1,657,000,000 by first, transferring (at Sellers' expense and in consultation with Buyer) Inventory that would otherwise be Acquired Inventory to a GOB Leased Store or a GOB Owned Store, until the Inventory Value of the Acquired Inventory is equal to \$1,553,000,000 and second, retaining as an Excluded Asset the oldest of any Credit Card Accounts Receivable or Pharmacy Receivables.

Section 10.12 10.11 Outstanding DIP Indebtedness. The aggregate amount required to be paid to fully satisfy the existing indebtedness of Sellers under (a) the DIP Credit Agreement shall be no greater than \$850,000,000 and (b) the Junior DIP Term Loan shall be no greater than \$230,000,000.

ARTICLE XI

CONDITIONS PRECEDENT TO THE OBLIGATION OF SELLERS TO CLOSE

Sellers' obligation to consummate the Transactions is subject to the satisfaction or waiver, as of the Closing, of each of the following conditions; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that Seller may not rely on the failure of any condition set forth in this <u>Article XI</u> if such failure was caused by Seller's failure to comply with any provision of this Agreement:

Section 11.1 Accuracy of Representations. The representations and warranties of Buyer contained in Article VII shall be true and correct as of the Closing Date as though made on and as of the Closing Date (except that those representations and warranties which address matters only as of a particular date need only be true and correct as of such date); provided, however, that the condition in this Section 11.1 shall be deemed to be satisfied so long as any failure of such representations and warranties to be true and correct (without giving effect to any limitation as to "materiality" or "material adverse effect" set forth therein), individually or in the aggregate, has not had and would not reasonably be expected to prevent or materially impair the ability of Buyer to perform, or to consummate the Transactions. Sellers shall have received a certificate of Buyer, signed by a duly authorized officer of Buyer, to that effect.

Section 11.2 <u>Buyer's Performance</u>. Buyer shall have performed and complied with in all material respects the covenants and agreements that Buyer is required to perform or comply

with pursuant to this Agreement at or prior to the Closing, and Sellers shall have received a certificate of Buyer to such effect signed by a duly authorized officer thereof.

- Section 11.3 No Order. No Closing Legal Impediment shall be in effect.
- Section 11.4 <u>Governmental Authorizations</u>. Any applicable waiting period required by the HSR Act and any extensions thereof, or any timing agreements, understandings or commitments obtained by request or other action of the FTC and/or the Antitrust Division, as applicable, and any other waiting period under any applicable antitrust or competition Law shall have expired or been terminated.
- Section 11.5 <u>Buyer's Deliveries</u>. Each of the deliveries required to be made to Sellers pursuant to <u>Section 4.2</u> shall have been so delivered, except for such deliveries which, by their nature, cannot be made on or prior to the Closing.
- Section 11.6 <u>Bidding Procedures Order</u>. The Bankruptcy Court shall have entered the Bidding Procedures Order, and such Order shall not have been stayed, vacated or modified.
- Section 11.7 <u>Approval Order in Effect</u>. The Bankruptcy Court shall have entered the Approval Order and the Approval Order shall not have been stayed, vacated or modified.
- Section 11.8 Pay-Down of Real Estate 2020 Loan. To the extent not previously provided, at least two (2) Business Days prior to the Closing Date, the Sellers shall provide to the agent under the Real Estate 2020 Loan all proceeds from the sale or other disposition of collateral pledged to secure the Real Estate 2020 Loan that were closed prior to the Closing Date, including, without limitation the proceeds held in a segregated account pursuant to paragraph 27 of the Order (I) Approving the Sale of Certain Real Property, (II) Authorizing the Assumption and Assignment of Certain Unexpired Leases in Connection therewith, and (III) Granting Related Relief [Docket No. 1393].

ARTICLE XII

TERMINATION

Section 12.1 <u>Termination Events</u>. Anything contained in this Agreement to the contrary notwithstanding, this Agreement may be terminated at any time prior to the Closing:

(a) by either Sellers or Buyer:

(i) if the Bankruptcy Court shall have determined that it will not enter the Approval Order or if a Governmental Authority of competent jurisdiction shall have enacted, issued, promulgated, enforced or entered any final and non-appealable applicable Law (including any Order) which is in effect and has the effect of making the Transactions illegal or otherwise restraining or prohibiting consummation of the Transactions and which is not satisfied, resolved or preempted by the Approval Order; provided, however, that the right to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this

Section 12.1(a)(i) shall not be available to any Party whose material breach of any of its representations, warranties, covenants or agreements contained herein results in or causes such event;

- (ii) if the Closing shall not have occurred by 11:59 p.m. New York City time on February 19, 2019 (the "Outside Date");³³ provided, however, that the right to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this Section 12.1(a)(ii) shall not be available to any Party whose material breach of any of its representations, warranties, covenants or agreements contained herein results in the failure of the Closing to be consummated by such time;
- (iii) if Sellers accept or agree to any Competing Transaction or upon approval by the Bankruptcy Court of, or the filing by or on behalf of any Seller of a motion or other request to approve, a Competing Transaction; provided, however, that if Seller, pursuant to Section 8.2(c) and the Bidding Procedures Order, has designated Buyer as a "Back-Up Bidder," then Buyer shall not be permitted to terminate this Agreement prior to the Outside Date except as consistent with the terms of Section 8.2(c) and the Bidding Procedures Order; or
 - (iv) by mutual written consent of Sellers and Buyer.

(b) by Buyer:

- (i) in the event of any breach by any Seller of any of its agreements, covenants, representations or warranties contained herein that would result in the failure of a condition set forth in Section 10.1 or Section 10.2 to be satisfied, and the failure of Sellers to cure such breach by the earlier of (A) the Outside Date and (B) the date that is fifteen (15) days after receipt of a notice in writing from Buyer of their intention to exercise their rights under this Section 12.1(b)(i) as a result of such breach; provided, however, that that the right to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this Section 12.1(b)(i) shall not be available to Buyer if Buyer is in breach of any of its representations, warranties, covenants or agreements contained herein in a manner that would result in the failure of a condition set forth in Article XI to be satisfied;
- (ii) if any of the Bankruptcy Cases is dismissed or converted to a case under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code; or
- (iii) if the Bankruptcy Court has not approved the consummation of the Transactions on or before February 4, 2019, or if the Approval Order has not been entered on or before February 4, 2019 (or is vacated or stayed as of such date).

²³ Note to Draft: February 18 is President's Day, when the banks are closed.

(c) by Sellers:

- (i) in the event of any breach by Buyer of any of its agreements, covenants, representations or warranties contained herein that would result in the failure of a condition set forth in Section 11.1 or Section 11.2 to be satisfied, and the failure of Buyer to cure such breach by the earlier of (A) the Outside Date and (B) the date that is fifteen (15) days after receipt of a notice in writing from Sellers of their intention to exercise their rights under this Section 12.1(c)(i) as a result of such breach; provided, however, that that the right to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this Section 12.1(c)(i) shall not be available to Seller if Sellers are themselves in breach of any of their representations, warranties, covenants or agreements contained herein, in each case in a manner that results in the failure of a condition set forth in Article X to be satisfied;
- (ii) if the Bankruptcy Court has not approved the consummation of the Transactions on or before February 4, 2019, or if the Approval Order has not been entered on or before February 4, 2019 (or is vacated or stayed as of such date); or
- (iii) if (A) all of the conditions set forth in Article X have been satisfied (other than those conditions that by their nature are to be satisfied by actions taken at the Closing, but which would be satisfied if the Closing Date were the date of such termination, or would have been satisfied, assuming the Closing had in fact occurred), (B) Buyer failed to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement by the time set forth in Section 4.1, (C) Sellers have irrevocably confirmed to Buyer in writing that all the conditions in Article XI have been satisfied (or that it is willing to waive any unsatisfied conditions set forth in Article XI) and that Sellers have indicated to Buyer in writing that Sellers are ready, willing and able to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, (D) Sellers have given Buyer written notice at least two (2) Business Days prior to such termination stating Sellers' intention to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this Section 12.1(c)(iii), and (E) Buyer fails to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement within such two (2) Business Day period.

Section 12.2 Effect of Termination.

(a) Subject to Section 8.2(a) and the first sentence of Section 12.2(b), in the event of any termination of this Agreement pursuant to Section 12.1, this Agreement (other than the provisions set forth in this Section 12.2, Section 12.3 and Article XIII) shall forthwith become null and void and be deemed of no further force and effect. Subject to Section 8.2(a), Section 12.2(b) and the provisions set forth in the immediately preceding sentence, there shall be no liability or obligation thereafter on the part of any Party. Notwithstanding the foregoing, subject to the second sentence of Section 12.2(b), any such termination shall not limit any Party's liability for any willful and material breach prior to the time of such termination. For purposes of this Agreement, "willful and material breach" means a material inaccuracy or breach of any material representation, warranty or covenant or other agreement set forth in this Agreement that is a consequence of an act or failure to act by or on behalf of the breaching Party with knowledge that the taking of such act or failure to take such act would, or would reasonably be expected to, result in a breach of this Agreement. In the event of any valid termination of this Agreement

pursuant to Section 12.1 (other than a termination by Sellers pursuant to Section 12.1(c)(i) or Section 12.1(c)(iii)), Sellers shall promptly (and in no event later than two (2) Business Days following such termination) return to Buyer the Deposit Amount and any other deposit delivered by Buyer to Sellers pursuant to the Bidding Procedures Order. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, except for a case of a willful and material breach, the maximum liability of the Seller and its Subsidiaries under this Agreement shall not exceed \$30,000,000.

(b) In the event of any valid termination of this Agreement by Sellers pursuant to Section 12.1(c)(i) or Section 12.1(c)(iii), then Sellers, as Sellers' sole and exclusive remedy as a result of such termination, shall have the right to retain the Deposit Amount, if any. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, the maximum liability of Buyer under this Agreement shall not exceed the Deposit Amount

Section 12.3 <u>Termination and Adjustment Rights of Buyer as to Properties and Related Acquired Assets.</u>

If a material portion of any Lease Premises, a material portion of any Owned Real Property, or a material portion of the Potential Acquired Assets related to the Lease Premises is materially damaged or destroyed, or the physical condition thereof is materially and adversely changed (including as a result of failure of proper repair or maintenance or environmental contamination that occurs from and after the date hereof), or any Lease Premises or Owned Real Property is subject to a condemnation or other governmental taking of a material portion thereof or any shopping center in which a Lease Premises is located is damaged, destroyed or condemned such that the operations of such Lease Premises are materially and adversely affected (each of the foregoing, a "Casualty / Condemnation Event") at any time from the date of this Agreement up to and including the Closing (each of the foregoing, a "Casualty / Condemnation Event"), Sellers shall provide prompt written notice of such Casualty / Condemnation Event to Buyer. Buyer shall elect within ten (10) days after notice of such Casualty / Condemnation Event from Sellers, together with Sellers' best estimate of the net amount of insurance proceeds and/or condemnation award available to Buyer pursuant to Section 12.3(b) (including any deductions pursuant to Section 12.3(b)), to either (A) in the case of a Lease Premises, acquire Designation Rights with respect to such Lease Premises at the Closing or, in the case of Owned Real Property, acquire such Owned Real Property at the Closing and, in either case, Sellers shall assign to Buyer any right Sellers have to any insurance proceeds or condemnation award or proceeds relating to such Casualty/Condemnation Event at the Closing (including any insurance proceeds actually received by Sellers with respect to such Casualty/Condemnation Event, but less, as provided in Section 5.1(a)(v), (x) any amounts used by any Seller for restoration, repair or replacement and (y) any recoveries or proceeds to the extent attributable to lost rents or similar costs applicable to any period prior to the Closing) or (B) in the case of a Lease Premises, decline to acquire Designation Rights with respect to such Lease Premises or, in the case of Owned Real Property, decline to acquire such Owned Real Property, in which case the Purchase Price shall not be reduced (but, in the case of Owned Real Property, Seller shall assign to Buyer any right Sellers have to any insurance proceeds or condemnation award relating to any such Casualty/Condemnation Event at Closing. For the avoidance of doubt, Casualty / Condemnation Events that are subject to this Section 12.3(a) are only those occurring during the period from

the date of this Agreement up to and including the Closing. Additionally, in the case of any Owned Real Property with respect to which a claim for damages to buildings or fixtures is pending as of the date of this Agreement, Sellers shall assign to Buyer any right Sellers have to any insurance proceeds relating to such claim (but less, as provided in Section 5.1(a)(v), (x) any amounts used by any Seller for restoration, repair or replacement and (y) any recoveries or proceeds to the extent attributable to lost rents or similar costs applicable to any period prior to the Closing) and the Purchase Price shall not be reduced.

- (b) In connection with any assignment of awards, proceeds or insurance under this Section 12.3, (i) such assignment of proceeds or awards shall not include any awards, proceeds or insurance to the extent attributable to lost rents or similar costs applicable to any period prior to the applicable Closing or paid in connection with repair, restoration or replacement during such period, and (ii) to the extent that Buyer has received written notice thereof in reasonable detail not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the Closing, such assignment of proceeds or awards shall be reduced by the amount of (x) all actual and documented, reasonable out-of-pocket repair costs incurred by Sellers in connection with the repair or restoration of such damage or destruction, (y) all actual and documented, reasonable out-of-pocket collection costs of Sellers respecting any awards or other proceeds, and (z) any amounts required to be paid (and solely to the extent actually paid) by Sellers or the insurance company to the applicable landlord under the Lease, if applicable, or to such landlord's lender as required pursuant to any of such lender's financing, as applicable.
- Rights with respect to any Lease and related Potential Acquired Assets or (ii) any Acquired Assets, in each case if and only if any Consent from any Person (other than a Governmental Authority) has not been obtained from such Person or has not otherwise been provided for pursuant to the Approval Order, the absence of which prevents the acquisition or exercise of the Designation Rights with respect to such Lease and related Potential Acquired Assets or the acquisition of such Acquired Assets; provided, that if the failure to obtain such Consent is curable, Sellers shall have until the earlier of (i) the Closing Date or (ii) ten (10) days after receipt of Buyer's notice of intent to terminate to obtain such Consent; and provided, (c) further that, for the avoidance of doubt, the provisions of this Section 12.3(d) shall not apply with respect to any license (incoming or outgoing) of any Intellectual Property.

ARTICLE XIII

GENERAL PROVISIONS

- Section 13.1 <u>Public Announcements</u>. Except as required by applicable Law (including any Order by the Bankruptcy Court) or pursuant to filings by Sellers with, or in any proceeding before, the Bankruptcy Court, Sellers shall not issue any press release, or make any public announcement concerning this Agreement or the Transactions without first consulting Buyer.
- Section 13.2 <u>Notices</u>. Any notice, consent or other communication required or permitted under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be delivered (a) in person, (b) via email or (c) by a nationally recognized courier for overnight delivery service. A notice or

communication shall be deemed to have been effectively given (i) if in person, upon personal delivery to the Party to whom the notice is directed, (ii) if via e-mail, on the date of successful transmission and (iii) if by nationally recognized courier, one Business Day after delivery to such courier. Rejection or other refusal to accept or inability to deliver because of changed address of which no notice has been received shall also constitute receipt. Any such notice, election, demand, request or response shall be addressed as follows:

If to Sellers, then to: Sears Holdings Corporation 3333 Beverly Road Hoffman Estates, IL 60179 Attention: General Counsel E-mail: counsel@searshc.com

with a copy (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP 767 Fifth Avenue New York, New York 10153

Attention: Ray C. Schrock, P.C., Ellen J. Odoner, Gavin Westerman and Sunny

Singh

E-mail: Ray.Schrock@weil.com; Ellen.Odoner@weil.com; Gavin.Westerman@weil.com; Sunny.Singh@weil.com

If to Buyer, then to:
Transform Holdco LLC
c/o ESL Partners, Inc..
1170 Kane Concourse, Suite 200
Bay Harbor Islands, FL 33154

Attention: Kunal S. Kamlani and Harold Talisman

Facsimile: (305) 864-1370

E-mail: kunal@eslinvest.com; harold@eslinvest.com

with a copy (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP One Liberty Plaza New York, NY 10006

Attention: Christopher E. Austin, Benet J. O'Reilly and Sean A. O'Neal E-mail: caustin@cgsh.com; boreilly@cgsh.com; soneal@cgsh.com

Section 13.3 Amendment; Waiver. No amendment, modification or discharge of this Agreement, and no waiver hereunder, shall be valid or binding unless set forth in writing and duly executed by each Party; provided that this Section 13.3, Section 13.6, Section 13.8, Section 13.10 or Section 13.12, in each case as such Sections relate to the Financing Sources, may not be amended in a manner adverse to the Financing Sources without the prior written

consent of the applicable Financing Source under the applicable Debt Commitment Letter. Any such waiver shall constitute a waiver only with respect to the specific matter described in such writing and shall in no way impair the rights of the Party granting such waiver in any other respect or at any other time. Neither the waiver by any of the Parties of a breach of or a default under any of the provisions of this Agreement, nor the failure by any of the Parties, on one or more occasions, to enforce any of the provisions of this Agreement or to exercise any right or privilege hereunder shall be construed as a waiver of any other breach or default of a similar nature, or as a waiver of any of such provisions, rights or privileges hereunder. No course of dealing between or among the Parties shall be deemed effective to modify, amend or discharge any part of this Agreement or any rights to payment of any Party under or by reason of this Agreement.

Section 13.4 Entire Agreement. This Agreement (including the Schedules and the Exhibits), the Confidentiality Agreement and the other Transaction Documents contain all of the terms, conditions and representations and warranties agreed to by the Parties relating to the subject matter of this Agreement and supersede all prior and contemporaneous agreements, understandings, negotiations, correspondence, undertakings and communications of the Parties or their representatives, oral or written, respecting such subject matter. The representations, warranties, covenants and agreements contained in this Agreement (including the Schedules and the Exhibits) and the other Transaction Documents are intended, among other things, to allocate the economic cost and the risks inherent in the Transactions, including risks associated with matters as to which the party making such representations and warranties has no knowledge or only incomplete knowledge, and such representations and warranties may be qualified by disclosures contained in the Schedules. Consequently, Persons other than the Parties may not rely upon the representations and warranties in this Agreement as characterizations of actual facts or circumstances as of the date of this Agreement or as of any other date.

Section 13.5 No Presumption as to Drafting. Each of the Parties acknowledges that it has been represented by legal counsel in connection with this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents and the Transactions. Accordingly, any rule of law or any legal decision that would require interpretation of any claimed ambiguities in this Agreement or the Transaction Documents against the drafting party has no application and is expressly waived.

Section 13.6 <u>Assignment</u>. Subject to Buyer's express rights of assignment with respect to any Assignee, this Agreement, and the rights, interests and obligations hereunder, shall not be assigned by any Party by operation of Law or otherwise without the express written consent of the other Parties (which consent maybe granted or withheld in the sole discretion of such other Party); <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that Buyer shall be permitted, upon prior notice to Sellers but without consent of Sellers, to assign all or any part of its rights or obligations hereunder to an Affiliate (an "<u>Affiliated Designee</u>"); <u>provided</u> that such assignment would not reasonably be expected to prevent or materially impair or delay the consummation of the Transactions or otherwise be materially adverse to Sellers; <u>provided further</u> Buyer shall be permitted to, at or after the Closing, collaterally assign its rights under this Agreement for purposes of creating a security interest or otherwise assigning collateral to the Financing Sources in connection with the Debt Financing;

<u>provided</u> <u>further</u> that that no such assignment shall relieve Buyer of any of its obligations under this Agreement.

Section 13.7 Severability. The provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed severable, and the invalidity or unenforceability of any provision shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the other provisions hereof. If any provision of this Agreement, or the application thereof to any Person or any circumstance, is invalid or unenforceable, (a) a suitable and equitable provision shall be substituted therefor in order to carry out, so far as may be valid and enforceable, the intent and purpose of such invalid or unenforceable provision and (b) the remainder of this Agreement and the application of such provision to other Persons or circumstances shall not be affected by such invalidity or unenforceability.

Section 13.8 Governing Law; Consent to Jurisdiction and Venue; Jury Trial Waiver.

- Except to the extent the mandatory provisions of the Bankruptcy Code apply, this Agreement and all claims or causes of action (whether in contract or in tort, in law or in equity or granted by statute) that may be based upon, arise out of or relate to this Agreement or the negotiation, execution or performance of this Agreement (including any claim or cause of action based upon, arising out of or related to any representation or warranty made in or in connection with this Agreement or as an inducement to enter into this Agreement) shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of Delaware applicable to Contracts made and to be performed entirely in such state without regard to principles of conflicts or choice of laws or any other Law that would make the laws of any other jurisdiction other than the State of Delaware applicable hereto. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, all claims or causes of action (whether in contract or tort) brought against the Financing Sources that may be based upon, arise out of or relate to this Agreement or the negotiation, execution or performance of this Agreement (including any claim or cause of action based upon, arising out of or related to any representation or warranty made in or in connection with this Agreement), including any dispute arising out of or relating in any way to the Financing or the performance thereof or the transactions contemplated thereby, shall be governed by the Laws of the State of New York, without giving effect to any choice of law or conflict of law rules or provisions (whether of the State of New York or any other jurisdiction) that would cause the application of the Laws of any jurisdiction other than the State of New York.
- (b) Without limitation of any Party's right to appeal any Order of the Bankruptcy Court, (i) the Bankruptcy Court shall retain exclusive jurisdiction to enforce the terms of this Agreement and to decide any claims or disputes which may be based upon, arise out of or relate to this Agreement, any breach or default hereunder, or the Transactions and (ii) any and all claims relating to the foregoing shall be filed and maintained only in the Bankruptcy Court, and the Parties hereby consent and submit to the exclusive jurisdiction and venue of the Bankruptcy Court and irrevocably waive the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of any such Proceeding; provided, however, that, if the Bankruptcy Case is closed, all Proceedings based upon, arising out of or relating to this Agreement shall be heard and determined in the Delaware Court of Chancery and any state appellate court therefrom within the State of Delaware (or in the event (but only in the event) that such court does not have subject matter jurisdiction over such Proceeding in the United States District Court for the District of Delaware and any federal

appellate court therefrom, and the Parties hereby (a) irrevocably and unconditionally submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Delaware Court of Chancery and any state appellate court therefrom within the State of Delaware (or in the event (but only in the event) that such court does not have subject matter jurisdiction over such Proceeding in the United States District Court for the District of Delaware and any federal appellate court therefrom) with respect to all Proceedings based upon, arising out of or relating to this Agreement and the Transactions (whether in contract or in tort, in law or in equity or granted by statute); (b) agree that all claims with respect to any such Proceeding shall be heard and determined in such courts and agrees not to commence any Proceeding relating to this Agreement or the Transactions (whether in contract or in tort, in law or in equity or granted by statute) except in such courts; (c) irrevocably and unconditionally waive any objection to the laying of venue of any Proceeding based upon, arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the Transactions and irrevocably and unconditionally waives the defense of an inconvenient forum; and (d) agree that a final judgment in any such Proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by Law. The Parties agree that any violation of this Section 13.8(b) shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement and shall constitute irreparable harm. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, each of the Parties agrees that it will not bring or support any person in any Proceeding of any kind or description, whether in law or in equity, whether in contract or in tort or otherwise, against any of the Financing Sources in any way relating to this Agreement or any of the transaction contemplated by this Agreement, including any dispute arising out of or relating in any way to the Debt Commitment Letter or the performance thereof or the financings contemplated thereby, in any forum other than the federal and New York state courts located in the Borough of Manhattan within the City of New York and any appellate courts therefrom.

(c) EACH PARTY HEREBY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY PROCEEDING DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY BASED UPON, ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY (WHETHER IN CONTRACT OR IN TORT, IN LAW OR IN EQUITY OR GRANTED BY STATUTE). EACH PARTY (A) CERTIFIES THAT NO REPRESENTATIVE, AGENT OR ATTORNEY OF ANY OTHER PARTY HAS REPRESENTED, EXPRESSLY OR OTHERWISE, THAT SUCH OTHER PARTY WOULD NOT, IN THE EVENT OF LITIGATION, SEEK TO ENFORCE THE FOREGOING WAIVER AND (B) ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT AND THE OTHER PARTY HAVE BEEN INDUCED TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT BY, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE MUTUAL WAIVERS AND CERTIFICATIONS IN THIS SECTION 13.8.

Section 13.9 <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts (including via electronic transmission in portable document format (pdf)) with the same effect as if the signatures to each counterpart were upon a single instrument, and all such counterparts together shall be deemed an original of this Agreement. This Agreement shall become effective when, and only when, each Party shall have received a counterpart hereof signed by the other Party. Delivery of an executed counterpart hereof by means of electronic

transmission in portable document format (pdf) shall have the same effect as delivery of a physically executed counterpart in person.

Section 13.10 <u>Parties in Interest; No Third Party Beneficiaries</u>. Except as set forth in <u>Section 13.12</u>, nothing in this Agreement shall confer any rights, benefits, remedies, obligations, liabilities or claims hereunder upon any Person not a Party or a permitted assignee of a Party; provided that the Financing Sources are intended third party beneficiaries of this <u>Section 13.10</u>, Section 13.6, Section 13.8 and Section 13.12.

Section 13.11 Fees and Expenses. The Parties agree that, except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement, each Party shall bear and pay all costs, fees and expenses that it incurs, or which may be incurred on its behalf, in connection with this Agreement and the Transactions. The pre-Closing costs of any privacy ombudsman shall be borne equally between Buyer, on the one hand, and Sellers, on the other hand, to the extent such costs are incurred in relation to the Transactions.

Section 13.12 Non-Recourse. All Claims and Liabilities that may be based upon, in respect of, arise under, out or by reason of, be connected with or relate in any manner to this Agreement, the negotiation, execution or performance of this Agreement (including any representation or warranty made in connection with or as an inducement to this Agreement) or the Transactions may be made only against (and are those solely of) the Persons that are expressly identified as Parties to this Agreement. No other Person, including any Buyer Related Party (other than Buyer) or any of the Parties' Affiliates, directors, officers, employees, incorporators, members, partners, managers, stockholders, agents, attorneys, or representatives of, or any financial advisors or lenders to (including the Financing Sources in their capacities as such), any of the foregoing (together, the "Non-Recourse Parties") shall have any liabilities for any Claims or Liabilities arising under, out of, in connection with, or related in any manner to, this Agreement, the Transactions or the Debt Financing or based on, in respect of, or by reason of, this Agreement or its negotiation, execution, performance or breach, whether at law, in equity, in contract, in tort or otherwise.

Section 13.13 Schedules; Materiality. The inclusion of any matter in any Schedule shall be deemed to be an inclusion for all purposes of this Agreement, to the extent that the relevance of such disclosure to any Section is readily apparent from the text of such disclosure, but inclusion therein shall not be deemed to constitute an admission, or otherwise imply, that any such matter is material or creates a measure for materiality for purposes of this Agreement. The disclosure of any particular fact or item in any Schedule shall not be deemed an admission as to whether the fact or item is "material" or would constitute a "Material Adverse Effect."

Section 13.14 Specific Performance. The Parties acknowledge and agree that (a) irreparable injury, for which monetary damages, even if available, would not be an adequate remedy, will occur in the event that any of the provisions of this Agreement are not performed in accordance with the specific terms hereof or are otherwise breached, and (b) the non-breaching Party or Parties shall therefore be entitled, in addition to any other remedies that may be available, to obtain (without the posting of any bond) specific performance of the terms of this Agreement by the breaching Party or Parties. If any Proceeding is brought by the non-breaching

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Party or Parties to enforce this Agreement, the Party in breach shall waive the defense that there is an adequate remedy at Law.

Section 13.15 Seritage Master Lease. Any assignment and assumption of Seritage Master Lease shall be an assignment and assumption of such Seritage Master Lease in its entirety, except as otherwise agreed by the landlord under the Seritage Master Lease.

[Signature pages follow]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be executed and delivered by their duly authorized representatives, all as of the Effective Date.

TRANSFORM HOLDCO LLC

By:		
Name:		
Title:		

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Exhibit D

Auction Transcript January 16, 2019

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7	Debtors.		
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16	767 Fifth Avenue		
17	New York, New York		
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2 1 **APPEARANCES:** 2 3 SUNNY SINGH, ESQ. 4 WEIL, GOTSHAL & MANGES LLP 5 Attorneys for Debtors and 6 Debtors in Possession 7 767 Fifth Avenue New York, New York 10153 8 9 SEAN A. O'NEAL, ESQ. 10 CLEARY GOTTLIEB STEEN & HAMILTON LLP 11 One Liberty Plaza 12 13 New York, New York 10006 14 15 JOSEPH L. SORKIN, ESQ. AKIN GUMP STRAUSS HAUER & FELD LLP 16 17 One Bryant Park 18 Bank of America Tower 19 New York, NY 10036-6745 20 (Via Teleconference) 21 22 23 24 25

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MR. SINGH: Good morning everybody. Sunny Singh, Weil Gotshal, on behalf of the Sears Debtors. The time is 3:05 a.m., Thursday, January 17th. We're here at Weil's offices for the Sears auction. As the Debtors announced yesterday, the ESL bid was declared the successful bid at the auction. We have worked through the APA today and I'm pleased to announce that a substantially final version of the Agreement has been agreed to among the parties, we're just finalizing some schedules and exhibits. I do have a copy that I will introduce into the record of the final version of the Agreement.

I would note one schedule, Exhibit G, which identifies the amounts owned by ESL and affiliates that are subject to the credit bid, is among those that is being finalized amongst the parties.

We have circulated the final version of the Agreement to the consultation parties.

I will introduce this Asset Purchase

Agreement into the record with the court reporter.

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4 1 With that, unless there is anything to say, I think Mr. O'Neill may want to say 2 3 something. MR. O'NEAL: Sean O'Neill, Cleary 4 Gottlieb, on behalf of ESL. Good morning. 5 I just want to say thank you very much 6 for all of the hard work over the past few 7 8 days, it's been quite an extraordinary 9 effort by so many and so appreciated, so 10 thank you very much. We have a lot of work to do over the 11 12 next three weeks, and we look forward to 13 working together collaboratively as we try 14 to get to closing. So thank you very much, 15 and that's all I have to say. 16 MR. SINGH: Thank you, Sean. 17 MR. SORKIN: Sunny, this is Joseph 18 Sorkin at Akin Gump on behalf of the Official Committee. I didn't mean to cut 19 20 you off. 21 Please, go ahead. MR. SINGH: Joseph, 22 before you go, I should have noted at the 23 beginning that we did, just given the hour, 24 circulate a dial-in, at least to the 25 consultation parties, including the

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5 Creditor's Committee, to make it possible 1 for them to have an opportunity to dial in 2 for the auction. 3 So Joseph, go ahead. 4 5 MR. SORKIN: Thanks Sunny. I just want to reiterate many of the same concerns, 6 7 objections, and reservations that we had 8 previously articulated on the record about 9 24 hours ago, when the announcement was made that the Debtors had agreed, subject to 10 documentation, to accept the ESL bid. 11 12 Again, just in broad strokes, I want to reiterate the concerns we have had with the 13 lack of consultation in terms of the 14 15 documentation, as well as again reiterating 16 the previously identified concerns we have, that we believe this is not an actionable 17 18 bid. Again, we reserve all rights. With that Sunny, I will turn it back to 19 20 you. 21 Thank you. MR. SINGH: I will just say 22 that everybody's rights are reserved, 23 including the Debtors, we don't need to get 24 into it at this hour. Obviously we disagree 25 with those statements, but we all reserve

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8	and Notary Public within and for the State of New	
9	York, do hereby certify:	
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11	parties to this action by blood or marriage and	
12	that I am in no way interested in the outcome of	
13	this matter.	
14	In witness whereof, I have hereunto set	
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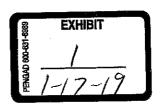
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ASSET PURCHASE AGREEMENT

THIS ASSET PURCHASE AGREEMENT (this "<u>Agreement</u>") is made as of January 16, 2019 (the "<u>Effective Date</u>"), by and between Transform Holdco LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company (together with any applicable Affiliated Designee (as defined below), "<u>Buyer</u>"), and Sears Holdings Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("<u>SHC</u>" or the "<u>Seller</u>" and together with each of its Subsidiaries party hereto, the "<u>Sellers</u>").

RECITALS

WHEREAS, among other things, Sellers own and operate, through direct and indirect Subsidiaries:

- (a) a national network of retail stores and pharmacies under the "Sears" and "Kmart" brands as conducted at the Operating Owned Properties and the Operating Leased Properties (as defined below) and the supporting general and administrative functions related to such retail stores;
- (b) a national network of specialty stores, including under the "Sears Auto Centers" brand;
- (c) a business that provides various home services solutions, including product repair, repair parts and accessories under the "PartsDirect" brand, home improvement project services, franchise services in the residential home service sector, repair services under the "ServiceLive" brand or the "Sears Home Services" brand and home solution technology under the "Wally" brand;
- (d) the KCD Notes (as defined below) and the business of designing, researching, developing, testing, having made, procuring the manufacture of, packaging, selling, marketing and distributing products and services under the Kenmore Marks and the DieHard Marks and licensing the Kenmore Marks and the DieHard Marks to third parties (the "Kenmore/DieHard Business");
- (e) a business that distributes and sells appliances under the "Monark Premium Appliance Co." brand;
- (f) a business that provides home delivery and retail installation services, including for third party customers, freight management, truck-load solutions, warehousing and final-mile delivery services;
 - (g) various websites under the sears.com and kmart.com banners;
- (h) a membership program for Sellers' members, including that offered under the "Shop Your Way" brand; and
 - (i) the "Business" as defined in the SHIP Purchase Agreement (as defined below),

(collectively, each of (a) through (h) above, (but, in the event that the SHIP Closing (as defined below) shall have occurred prior to the Closing Date, excluding the "Business" as defined in the SHIP Purchase Agreement), the "Business");

WHEREAS, on October 15, 2018, (the "<u>Petition Date</u>") (or, with respect to certain Sellers as applicable, following the Petition Date), Sellers filed voluntary petitions for relief (the "<u>Filing</u>") commencing cases under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code (the "<u>Bankruptcy Cases</u>") in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the "<u>Bankruptcy Court</u>");

WHEREAS, Sellers desire to sell to Buyer (or, in accordance with the terms set forth herein, an applicable Assignee (as defined below)) the Designation Rights (as defined below) and Acquired Assets (as defined below) and to transfer to Buyer the Assumed Liabilities (as defined below) and Buyer desires to purchase from Sellers the Designation Rights and Acquired Assets and to assume from Seller the Assumed Liabilities, in each case on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this Agreement;

WHEREAS, the Parties (as defined below) desire to consummate the proposed transactions as promptly as practicable after the Bankruptcy Court enters the Approval Order (as defined below), subject to the terms of this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Parties desire and intend that the transactions set forth in this Agreement, together with the Bankruptcy Plan (as defined below), will, unless Buyer elects otherwise pursuant to this Agreement, (i) constitute one or more plans of reorganization under section 368(a) of the Code (as defined below) and as qualifying as one or more reorganizations thereunder and (ii) satisfy the ownership requirements set forth in section 382(1)(5)(A)(ii) of the Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and the mutual promises herein made, and in consideration of the representations, warranties and covenants herein contained, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which are hereby acknowledged and intending to be legally bound hereby, the Parties agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

DEFINITIONS

Section 1.1 <u>Definitions</u>. For purposes of this Agreement, the following terms have the meanings specified or referenced below.

"401(k) Plan" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.7(b).

"ABL Commitment Letter" shall mean the commitment letter (including all annexes, exhibits, schedules and other attachments thereto) among Buyer, Bank of America, N.A., Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, Citigroup Global Markets, Inc. and Royal Bank of Canada, dated as of the date hereof, as amended, supplemented or replaced in compliance with the terms hereof and thereof.

"ABL Financing" shall mean the financing incurred or intended to be incurred pursuant to the ABL Commitment Letter, including the borrowing of loans contemplated by the ABL Commitment Letter.

- "ABL Financing Sources" shall mean the Financing Sources specified in clause (z) of the definition of "Financing Sources".
 - "Acquired Assets" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1.
 - "Acquired Data" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(g).
- "Acquired Equipment" shall mean, with respect to any Acquired Property, all Equipment to the extent located at or on the applicable Acquired Lease Premises or Owned Real Property.
 - "Acquired Foreign Assets" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.13(a).
- "Acquired Improvements" shall mean, with respect to any Acquired Property, all Improvements located on or comprising the applicable Acquired Lease Premises or Owned Real Property.
 - "Acquired Intellectual Property" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(e).
- "Acquired Inventory" shall mean (i) with respect to any Operating Leased Property, all Inventory which is located at or on the applicable Operating Lease Property as of the Closing Date, (ii) with respect to any Operating Owned Property, all Inventory which is located at or on the Operating Owned Property as of the Closing Date, (iii) with respect to any IP/Ground Lease Property, all Inventory which is located at or on the IP/Ground Lease Property as of the Closing Date and (iv) all other Inventory Related to the Business other than Inventory included in clause (ii) of the definition of Excluded Inventory.
- "Acquired Lease" shall mean each Lease that is assumed by any Seller and assigned to Buyer pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.
- "Acquired Lease Premises" shall mean the Lease Premises which is the subject of an Acquired Lease.
- "Acquired Lease Rights" shall mean, with respect to an Acquired Lease, all real property rights and all other rights and interests of the tenant thereunder, including all options to renew, purchase, expand or lease (including rights of first refusal, first negotiation and first offer), and all credit for the prepaid rent associated therewith and all Security Deposits made in respect of such and any Improvements thereon.
- "Acquired Property" shall mean (i) each Lease Premises which is subject to an Acquired Lease and (ii) each Owned Real Property.
- "Acquired Receivables" shall mean (i) all Credit Card Accounts Receivable, (ii) all Pharmacy Receivables, (iii) the Specified Receivables and (iv) the Warranty Receivables.
- "Action" shall mean any Claim, action, complaint, suit, litigation, arbitration, appeal, petition, inquiry, hearing, Order, decree, legal proceeding, investigation or other legal dispute,

whether civil, criminal, administrative or otherwise, at law or in equity, by or before any Governmental Authority.

- "ADA" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of Law.
- "Additional Contract" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.9.
- "Affiliate" shall mean, with respect to any Person, any other Person directly or indirectly controlling, controlled by, or under common control with, such other Person. For purposes of this definition, "control" when used with respect to any Person means the power to direct the management and policies of such Person, directly or indirectly, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise, and the terms "controlling" and "controlled" have correlative meanings. Notwithstanding the foregoing, (i) each Seller and its respective Subsidiaries, on the one hand, shall not, for the purposes of this Agreement, be deemed to be an "Affiliate" of ESL or Buyer or any of their respective Affiliates (excluding each Seller and its respective Subsidiaries), on the other hand, and (ii) Buyer, ESL and their Affiliates (excluding each Seller and its respective Subsidiaries), on the one hand, shall not, for the purposes of this Agreement, be deemed to be an "Affiliate" of Sellers or any of their respective Subsidiaries, on the other hand; and Buyer and ESL shall be deemed to be Affiliates of each other.
 - "Affiliated Designee" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 13.6.
- "Aggregate DIP Shortfall Amount" shall mean, as of the Closing Date, an amount equal to \$1,200,000,000 *less* the aggregate amounts required to be paid (net of any available cash) to fully satisfy the existing indebtedness of Sellers under both (i) the DIP Credit Agreement and (ii) the Junior DIP Term Loan Agreement.
 - "Agreement" shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.
 - "Agreement Assignment Notice" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.7(a)(ii).
 - "Allocation Schedule" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.3(d).
 - "Alternative Financing" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 8.5.
 - "Antitrust Actions" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 8.3(d).
- "Antitrust Division" shall mean the Antitrust Division of the United States Department of Justice.
- "Antitrust Laws" shall mean the Sherman Antitrust Act, the Clayton Antitrust Act of 1914, the HSR Act and all other federal, state and foreign statutes, rules, regulations, orders, decrees and other Laws and Orders that are designed or intended to prohibit, restrict or regulate actions having the purpose or effect of monopolization or restraint of trade or competition.

- "Approval Order" shall mean an Order approving the Transactions entered by the Bankruptcy Court in the Bankruptcy Cases substantially in the form of Exhibit A attached hereto or in a form reasonably agreed by Buyer and Sellers prior to the Closing.
 - "Arbitrator" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of Law.
- "Assigned Agreements" shall mean (i) the Citi Card Agreement, (ii) the Initial Assigned Agreements, (iii) the Designatable Leases, solely to the extent designated for assumption by the Sellers and assignment to Buyer by written notice from Buyer to Sellers delivered prior to the end of the Designation Rights Period, and (iv) such other Additional Contracts as Buyer elects to have assigned or assumed and assigned to Buyer in accordance with this Agreement.
- "Assigned Plans and Permits" shall mean, with respect to any Acquired Assets, all Plans and Permits, if any, that are assignable pursuant to the applicable issuing Governmental Authority and are Related to such Acquired Asset.
- "Assignee" shall mean, as to any Acquired Lease, Buyer or any other Person designated by Buyer in the applicable Buyer Assumption Notice.
 - "Assignment Actions" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5.2(c).
 - "Assignment and Assumption of Lease" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5.2(b).
 - "Assignment Instruments" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5.2(c).
- "Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims" shall mean all Liabilities against any of the Debtors arising under section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code.
- "Assumed Customer Credits" shall mean all Liabilities arising under, or relating to, (i) any existing customer loyalty program (e.g., points, rewards, discounts, etc.) of any of Sellers or community marketing undertaken by any of Sellers, including Shop Your Way, and (ii) any Liability in respect of any gift cards, gift certificates, merchandise credits, return credits, customer membership or customer loyalty discount programs, coupons, groupons or other similar credits or programs issued by, on behalf of or in relation to Sellers since January 1, 2018.
 - "Assumed Liabilities" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.3.
- "Assumed Property Tax Liabilities" shall mean all Liabilities for Property Taxes payable with respect to any Acquired Property for Pre-Assignment Tax Periods, not to exceed \$135,000,000.
- "Assumption Effective Date" shall mean, (i) with respect to the Initial Assigned Agreements, the Closing Date, (ii) with respect to the Designatable Leases, following the delivery of the applicable Buyer Assumption Notice, the earliest of (A) the deadline for objecting to assumption and assignment of such Lease, if no such objection is submitted and (B) the fifth (5th) Business Day following the date of resolution of any objection to assumption and assignment of such Lease, if any such objection is timely submitted and (iii) with respect to the Additional

Contracts, the earliest of (A) the deadline for objecting to assumption and assignment of such Additional Contract, if no such objection is submitted and (B) the fifth (5th) Business Day following the date of resolution of any objection to assumption and assignment of such Additional Contract or to proposed Cure Costs, if any such objection is timely submitted.

"Auction" shall mean the auction undertaken pursuant to the Bidding Procedures Order.

"Avoidance Actions" shall mean any and all claims for relief of Sellers under chapter 5 of the Bankruptcy Code, or state fraudulent conveyance, fraudulent transfer or other similar state laws.

"Bankruptcy Cases" shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"Bankruptcy Code" shall mean Title 11 of the United States Code, sections 101 et seq.

"Bankruptcy Court" shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"Bankruptcy Plan" shall mean the joint chapter 11 plan for the Sellers in the Bankruptcy Cases.

"Bidding Procedures Order" shall mean the Order approving the global bidding procedures entered by the Bankruptcy Court in the Bankruptcy Cases on November 19, 2018 (Docket No. 816).

"BMA Consent" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.8(e).

"Books and Records" shall mean, with respect to Sellers, all documents, instruments, records and other written or electronic materials in whatever form or media (including all hard and electronic copies, CAD files and all discs, tapes and other media-storage data and materials containing such information, and including originals, if available) in the possession or control of Sellers in connection with, or relating to any Acquired Assets, any related Assumed Liabilities, or the operations of Sellers at any Acquired Property, or the operations of the shopping center in which such Acquired Property is located, including to the extent in Sellers' possession or control, all files, data, reports, surveys (ALTA and topographical), soil reports, title reports and title insurance policies (including copies of all underlying exception documents), physical inspection, engineering and asbestos reports, environmental tests, inspections and reports, insurance reports, schematic plans, site plans and drawings, mailing lists, supplier lists, customer lists, price lists, financial projections, marketing information and procedures, copies of Tax Returns to the extent related to the Acquired Assets, advertising and promotional materials, equipment records, warranty information, architects and engineers agreements, architectural and engineering plans and specifications, construction contracts, drawings, plans and specifications, records of operations, manuals of operations or business procedures and other similar procedures, including all policies and procedures for the protection of individual and consumer privacy (including all CAD files and all discs, tapes and other media-storage data containing such information). Without limiting the foregoing, with respect to any Acquired Property, the term "Books and Records" shall include, to the extent in the possession or control of a Seller, (a) the original file for the applicable Acquired Property, including the applicable Acquired Lease and any other related Assigned

Agreements, which includes originals of the following: the fully executed Acquired Lease and any other related Assigned Agreements, together with all Exhibits, Schedules and Addenda thereto. and all amendments, modifications and supplements thereto; letter agreements; correspondence; renewal notices; estoppel certificates issued by any Seller or the landlord under any applicable Acquired Lease; estoppel certificates issued by any party under any applicable easement, operation and easement agreement, reciprocal easement agreement, declaration of covenants, conditions and restrictions or similar documents with respect to an Acquired Property (each, an "OEA"); accounting records; gross sales records to the extent reporting of gross sales is required pursuant to each such Acquired Lease; audit files (whether generated internally or by a third party); surveys of the Acquired Lease Premises or the common areas of the shopping center in which such Acquired Property is located with respect to compliance with Law; any OEA and all amendments, modifications and supplements thereto; the applicable Sellers' title insurance policy, together with legible copies of all exception documents; any agreements confirming the commencement date or other relevant dates in the Acquired Lease; recorded copies of any memorandum of lease; and lease abstracts, and (b) keys to such Acquired Property, security codes for such Acquired Property or any of such Acquired Property's building systems, any keys or security codes for parking and other common areas of any shopping centers in which such Acquired Property is located and any other document or information in the possession or control of any Seller useful or necessary to operate a retail store from the Acquired Lease Premises. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the term "Books and Records" shall not include (i) personnel files with respect to any Seller employees who are not Transferred Employees, (ii) any information as to Seller employees that is prohibited by Law from being delivered by Sellers to Buyer (including (1) employee medical information protected by the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, as amended, the ADA, the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993, as amended, or the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008, as amended, (2) any Employment Eligibility Verification on Form I-9 and (3) any employee background reports), provided that Sellers shall inform Buyer of the general nature of the materials being withheld and, upon Buyer's request and at Buyer's sole cost and expense, reasonably cooperate with Buyer to provide such materials, in whole or in part, in a manner that would not result in the outcome described in this clause (ii), including by reasonably cooperating with Buyer to enter into additional agreements to the extent required to render the access to any personally identifiable information permissible under any applicable Law or contractual obligation, (iii) any non-disclosure or confidentiality, non-compete or non-solicitation agreements other than contemplated by Section 2.1(k) and (iv) the Retained Books and Records.

"Business" shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"Business Day" shall mean any day of the year, other than a Saturday or Sunday, on which national banking institutions in New York, New York are open to the public for conducting business and are not required or authorized by Law to remain closed.

"Business Employees" shall mean each employee who, as of the Closing Date, is primarily engaged in providing services in connection with, or in support of, the Business, including in any commercial or corporate function (excluding employees employed in the GOB Leased Stores, the GOB Owned Stores or at any distribution center which is announced for closing prior to the Closing Date and any employees who have been provided notice of termination by Sellers prior to

the Closing Date). The number of Business Employees is expected to total approximately 45,000 employees.

"Business Names" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of Intellectual Property.

"Buyer" shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

"Buyer Assumption Notice" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5.2(a).

"Buyer Occupancy Costs" shall mean (i) with respect to any GOB Leased Stores, all Occupancy Expenses that are incurred, accrued or apportioned solely for the period commencing on the first calendar day following the GOB Period for such GOB Store and ending at the expiration of the Designation Rights Period for such GOB Store and (ii) with respect to any Operating Leased Property, all Occupancy Expenses that are incurred, accrued or apportioned solely for the period commencing on the Closing Date and ending at the expiration of the Designation Rights Period for such Operating Leased Property.

"Buyer Party Release" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.13.

"Buyer Rejection Notice" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5.3(a).

"Buyer Related Party" shall mean (i) Buyer, (ii) ESL, (iii) the Cyrus Related Parties and (iv) any Person who is currently or formerly was a director, officer, employee, stockholder, member, limited partner, general partner, controlling person, manager, representative, attorney, agent or successors of Buyer, ESL or any of the Cyrus Related Parties.

"Buyer's Savings Plan" has the meaning given in Section 9.7(k)(i).

"Casualty / Condemnation Event" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 12.3(a).

"Challenge" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of Final Order.

"Citi Card Agreement" shall mean the Second Amended and Restated Program Agreement, dated as of October 3, 2018, by and among Sears, Roebuck and Co., Sears Brands Business Unit Corporation, the Other Sears Parties, and Citibank, N.A., as may be amended from time to time.

"Citi L/C Facility" shall mean that certain letters of credit facility granted pursuant to that certain Letter of Credit and Reimbursement Agreement, dated as of December 28, 2016 (as at any time amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified), by and among Sears Roebuck Acceptance Corp. and Kmart Corporation, as borrowers, SHC, Citibank N.A. as administrative agent, and the financial institutions party thereto from time to time.

"Claims" shall mean all rights to payment, whether or not such right is reduced to judgment, liquidated, unliquidated, fixed, contingent, matured, unmatured, disputed, undisputed, legal, equitable, secured, or unsecured; or rights to an equitable remedy for breach of performance if such breach gives rise to a right to payment, whether or not such right to an equitable remedy is

reduced to judgment, fixed, contingent, matured, unmatured, disputed, undisputed, secured, or unsecured, in each case, of whatever kind or description against any Person.

"Closing" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.1.

"Closing Date" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.1.

"Closing Legal Impediment" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 10.4.

"Closing Payment Amount" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.1(a).

"Code" shall mean the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

"Commitment Letters" shall mean, collectively, the Cyrus Commitment Letter, the Debt Commitment Letter, the Real Estate Financing Commitment Letter and the Equity Commitment Letter.

"Competing Transaction" shall mean any direct or indirect financing, refinancing, acquisition, sale, divestiture (including by merger, acquisition or other business combination), public offering, recapitalization, business combination or reorganization, whether in one transaction or a series of related transactions, of or involving or implicating all or any material part of the Designation Rights, the Properties, the Leases, the Acquired Assets, the Assumed Liabilities or any Business (other than any such transaction or series of related transactions with Buyer or any Affiliate thereof) or any standalone plan of reorganization or liquidation for any Seller that does not contemplate the consummation of the Transactions.

"Compliant" shall mean, with respect to the written Required Information that has been or will be made available to Buyer by the Sellers or any of their respective representatives on their behalf in connection with the Transactions, that the Sellers' auditors have not withdrawn any audit opinion with respect to any financial statements contained in the Required Information for which they have provided an opinion (unless a new audit opinion is issued with respect to the financial statements for the applicable periods by such auditors or any other independent public accounting firm of national standing or otherwise reasonably acceptable to Buyer).

"Confidential Information" shall mean, with respect to any Person, all information of a confidential or proprietary nature (whether or not specifically labeled or identified as "confidential"), in any form or medium, which relates to such Person or their respective business relations and its respective business activities. Confidential Information includes, but is not limited to, the following: (i) internal business information (including historical and projected financial information and budgets and information relating to strategic and staffing plans and practices, business, training, marketing, promotional and sales plans and practices, cost, rate and pricing structures and accounting and business methods); (ii) identities and individual requirements of, and specific contractual arrangements with, such Person's customers, clients, distributors, vendors, service providers, independent contractors, joint venture partners and other business relations and their confidential information; (iii) trade secrets; and (iv) other non-public Intellectual Property.

"Confidentiality Agreement" shall mean the Confidentiality Agreement, dated as of May 15, 2018, by and between ESL Investments, Inc. and SHC.

"Consent" shall mean any consent, approval, concession, grant, waiver, exemption, license, entitlement, suitability determination, franchise, development right, certificate, variance, registration, permit, Order or other authorization of or notice of any Person.

"Contract" shall mean any contract, agreement, undertaking, lease, sublease, license, sublicense, sales order, purchase order or other instrument or commitment, whether written or oral (including commitments to enter into any of such) that purports to be binding on any Person or any part of its property (or subjects any such assets or property to an Encumbrance).

"Controlling Person" shall mean ESL Investments, Inc., its Affiliates and their respective directors and officers.

"Copyrights" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of Intellectual Property.

"<u>CPA Firm</u>" shall mean a national firm of independent public accountants as to which the Parties mutually agree. In the event the Parties do not mutually agree in a timely manner, the Bankruptcy Court shall determine the CPA Firm.

"Credit Bid Release Consideration" shall mean an amount of cash equal to Thirty-Five Million Dollars (\$35,000,000).

"Credit Card Accounts Receivable" means each Account or Payment Intangible (each as defined in the UCC) together with all income, payments and proceeds thereof, owed by a credit card payment processor or an issuer of credit cards to a Seller resulting from charges by a customer of a Seller on credit cards processed by such processor or issued by such issuer in connection with the sale of goods by a Seller or services performed by a Seller, in each case in the ordinary course of its business.

"Credit Card Claims" means all claims arising from Seller's involvement as a class plaintiff in the class actions consolidated in the multi-district litigation In re Payment Card Interchange Fee and Merchant Discount Antitrust Litigation, No. 1:05-MD-01720 (E.D.N.Y.) against Visa Inc., Mastercard Inc., JPMorgan Chase & Co, Citigroup N.A., Bank of America N.A., and other defendants, alleging antitrust violations in relation to certain practices with respect to merchant processing fees and merchant processing agreements attributable to merchants that accepted Visa Inc. or Mastercard Inc. credit or debit cards beginning on January 1, 2004, and any proceeds thereof, including proceeds arising from any settlement with respect to the foregoing.

"Cure Costs" means all amounts payable in order to cure any monetary defaults required to be cured under section 365(b)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code or otherwise to effectuate, pursuant to the Bankruptcy Code, the assumption of the Assigned Agreements, whether as determined by the Bankruptcy Court or agreed to by the Buyer and the non-debtor counterparty to the applicable Assigned Agreement.

"Current Fiscal Year" shall mean, in relation to the Seller, the Seller's current fiscal beginning February 4, 2018.

"Customer Data" shall mean all data (including personal data and personally identifiable information) owned or controlled (meaning any data Sellers have the ability to transfer in compliance with applicable Law) by or on behalf of Sellers related to Sellers' customers, consumers or end users, including (i) customer, consumer and end user files and lists and contact information, (ii) purchasing, transaction and installation histories (namely, the product purchased, date of purchase, location of purchase, date of installation and whether a warranty was purchased), (iii) customer, consumer and end-user complaints and returns, (iv) customer, consumer or end user opt-outs, unsubscribe or opt-ins requests in relation to the use or processing of their information, (v) all analytics relating to any of the foregoing and other customer-based analyses or reports and (vi) all loyalty program data and participation information (including all information and data with respect to Shop Your Way).

"Cyrus Commitment Letter" shall mean the commitment letter (including all annexes, exhibits, schedules and other attachments thereto) among Buyer, the Cyrus Lender, the Sponsor and Citibank, N.A., dated as of the date hereof, as amended, supplemented or replaced in compliance with the terms hereof and thereof.

"Cyrus Financing" shall mean the debt financing incurred or intended to be incurred pursuant to the Cyrus Commitment Letter, including the borrowing of loans contemplated by the Cyrus Commitment Letter.

"Cyrus Lender" shall mean Cyrus Capital Partners, L.P.

"Cyrus Related Parties" shall mean the Cyrus Lender, its Affiliates and any of their respective directors, officers, or employees, in such capacities and in their individual capacities.

"<u>Debt Commitment Letters</u>" shall mean, collectively, the ABL Commitment Letter, the Cyrus Commitment Letter and the Real Estate Financing Commitment Letter.

"<u>Debt Financing</u>" shall mean, collectively, the ABL Financing, the Cyrus Financing and the Real Estate Financing.

"Debt Financing Documents" means the agreements, documents and certificates contemplated by the Debt Financing, including (a) all credit agreements, loan documents, debentures, notes, pledge and security documents, guarantees, mortgages, intercreditor agreements and other related documents pursuant to which the Debt Financing will be governed or contemplated by the Debt Commitment Letters and (b) officer, secretary, solvency, closing and perfection certificates, legal opinions, corporate organizational documents, good standing certificates, Lien searches, and resolutions contemplated by the Debt Commitment Letters or requested by the Financing Sources.

"Deposit Amount" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.2.

"Designatable Lease" shall mean each of (i) the GOB Leases and the Operating Leases and (ii) to the extent applicable to such leases and lease agreements, all non-disturbance agreements with fee owners or senior landlords, subordination, non-disturbance and attornment agreements, waivers and consents in favor of any Seller, estoppel certificates from landlords under any of the Leases (to the extent assignable), and landlord waivers or other collateral access agreements in favor of any Seller or any asset-based lenders.

"Designated Sale Transaction" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.12(b).

"<u>Designated Tax Advisor</u>" shall mean Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP, or Deloitte Tax LLP, as decided in the Sellers' discretion, or if neither of the foregoing is able to deliver a Tax Opinion, Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP.

"Designation Assignment Date" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5.2(d).

"Designation Deadline" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.9.

"Designation Rights" shall mean the exclusive right to irrevocably select, identify and designate each Designatable Lease in respect of which Assignee will acquire all of Sellers' right, title and interest in and to the applicable Designatable Lease, together with all of Sellers' right, title and interest in and to certain assets related to such Designatable Lease, to the extent, but only to the extent, set forth in Article II, all in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

"<u>Designation Rights Period</u>" shall mean, with respect to each Designatable Lease, the period commencing on the Closing Date and ending on the earliest of (i) five (5) Business Days after delivery of the applicable Buyer Rejection Notice, (ii) the date on which an applicable agreement is assumed and assigned to an Assignee, (iii) the date which is sixty (60) days after the Closing Date and (iv) May 3, 2019.

"<u>DieHard Marks</u>" shall mean the name "DIEHARD" and any name consisting of, containing or incorporating "DIEHARD", and all designs and logos associated therewith in each case, together with all variations thereof; and all Trademarks, Business Names, Domain Names and Media Accounts consisting of, containing or incorporating any of the foregoing.

"DIP Credit Agreement" means that certain Superpriority Senior Secured Debtor-in-Possession Asset Based Credit Agreement, dated as of November 29, 2018, among SHC, as holdings, Sears Roebuck Acceptance Corp. and Kmart Corporation, as borrowers, Bank of America, N.A., in its capacity as administrative agent and co-collateral agent, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, in its capacity as co-collateral agent, and the lenders named therein, as in effect on the date hereof [Docket No. 955-1].

"<u>Distribution Requirement</u>" shall mean the requirement that each Seller (except if and to the extent (x) Buyer elects, in accordance with this Agreement, that the transactions set forth in this Agreement with respect to such Seller shall not be treated as a Tax Reorganization, or (y) if requested by such Seller, Designated Tax Advisor is unable to deliver a Tax Opinion that the transactions set forth in this Agreement with respect to such Seller may be treated as a Tax

Reorganization) (i) shall distribute the Securities Consideration received by it to Persons qualifying as holders of "securities" of such Seller for purposes of section 354 of the Code, (ii) shall distribute all of the cash received pursuant to Section 3.1(a), as well as all of its other property pursuant to the Bankruptcy Plan, (iii) shall dissolve no later than the end of the third taxable year ending after the Closing Date, and (iv) during the period between the Closing Date and its dissolution, shall limit its activities to those which are merely for the purpose of liquidating its assets (which may include maintaining a going operation for the preservation of value, pending distribution or sale), winding up its affairs, resolving and paying its debts, and distributing any remaining assets (which may include a distribution to a non-corporate liquidating vehicle).

"Domain Names" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of Intellectual Property.

"Effect" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of "Material Adverse Effect."

"Effective Date" shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

"Employee Plan" shall mean each "employee benefit plan" (as such term is defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA), whether or not subject to ERISA, and each other employee benefit plan, program, policy, or arrangement (including each stock purchase, stock option, restricted stock or other equity-based, severance, retention, change-of-control, bonus, deferred compensation, fringe benefit and other similar benefit plan, program, policy, or arrangement), in each case, that provides any kind of compensation or benefits to Business Employees or former employees of the Business or their dependents or beneficiaries or with respect to which Seller would reasonably be expected to have any Liability in respect of the Business Employees.

"Employment Laws" shall mean all Laws (including the WARN Act), now or at the applicable time in effect and regulating, respecting, concerning or relating directly or indirectly to employees, independent contractors, labor relations, workers' compensation, unemployment compensation, foreign workers employed in the United States, wages and hours, safety, compensation, worker classification or other workplace or employment standards or practices.

"Encumbrance" shall mean all mortgages, pledges, hypothecations, charges, liens, interests, debentures, trust deeds, claims and encumbrances of any type whatsoever (whether known or unknown, secured or unsecured or in the nature of setoff or recoupment, choate or inchoate, filed or unfiled, scheduled or unscheduled, noticed or unnoticed, recorded or unrecorded, perfected or unperfected, allowed or disallowed, contingent or non-contingent, liquidated or unliquidated, matured or unmatured, material or nonmaterial, disputed or undisputed, whether arising prior to or subsequent to the commencement of the Bankruptcy Cases, and whether imposed by agreement, understanding, Law, equity, or otherwise), including Claims, assignments by way of security or otherwise, security agreements and interests, conditional sales contracts or other title retention agreements, rights of first refusal, first negotiation or first offer, options to purchase or similar restrictions or obligations, instruments creating a security interest in the Acquired Assets or any part thereof or interest therein, and any agreements, leases, subleases, licenses, occupancy agreements, options, easements, rights of way, covenants, conditions, restrictions, declarations, defects in title, encroachments, exceptions or other encumbrances adversely affecting title to the Acquired Assets or any part thereof or interest therein.

"Environmental Laws" shall mean all applicable Laws relating to pollution or protection of human health or safety (to the extent related to exposure to Hazardous Substances) or the environment (including ambient air, water, surface water, groundwater, land surface, soil or subsurface) or natural resources, including applicable Laws relating to the generation, storage, transfer, transportation, investigation, cleanup, treatment, remediation, or use of, or release or threatened release into the environment of, any Hazardous Substances.

"Environmental Permits" shall mean all licenses, permits, variances, consents or certificates issued pursuant to Environmental Laws.

"Equipment" shall mean all machinery, equipment, appliances, supplies, furniture, fixtures, janitorial and cleaning equipment, partitions, desks, chairs, tables, telephone lines, cubicles, point-of-sale systems, graphics, branding, signs and signage (including any signs and signage on any buildings, pylons or monuments and any directional or other ground or off-premises signs and signage). For the avoidance of doubt, Improvements do not constitute Equipment.

"Equity Commitment Letter" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.4(a).

"Equity Financing" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.4(a).

"ERISA" shall mean the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended, and all Laws issued thereunder.

"ERISA Affiliate" shall mean, with respect to any entity, trade or business, any other entity, trade or business that is, or was at the relevant time, a member of a group described in Section 414(b), (c), (m) or (o) of the Code or Section 4001(b)(1) of ERISA that includes or included the first entity, trade or business, or that is, or was at the relevant time, a member of the same "controlled group" as the first entity, trade or business pursuant to Section 4001(a)(14) of ERISA.

"ESL" shall mean ESL Investments, Inc., JPP, LLC, JPP II, LLC, Eddie S. Lampert and any of their respective directors, officers, or employees, in such capacities and in their individual capacities.

"Excluded Assets" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.2.

"Excluded Asset-Reorganization Taxes" shall mean any and all (i) Taxes imposed on or with respect to the Excluded Assets or the Excluded Liabilities for any taxable period, other than any Tax to the extent such Tax would have been reduced or eliminated had the Sellers' Tax attributes not transferred to Buyer (taking into account Tax attributes Sellers would have had if all transactions described in Article II were Designated Sale Transactions and respected as such by the Internal Revenue Service), (ii) Taxes imposed on or with respect to the Acquired Assets, the Acquired Properties, the Business or the Assumed Liabilities for any Pre-Assignment Tax Period (for the avoidance of doubt, other than amounts payable by Buyer under Section 5.1(b)), other than any Tax to the extent such Tax would have been reduced or eliminated had the Sellers' Tax attributes not transferred to Buyer (taking into account Tax attributes Sellers would have had if all

transactions described in Article II were Designated Sale Transactions and respected as such by the Internal Revenue Service), (iii) Liabilities of Buyer or any of its Affiliates for Taxes described in clause (i) or (ii) hereof of any Sellers or their Affiliates as a transferee or successor, by contract, operation of law or otherwise, other than as part of any agreement entered into in the Ordinary Course of Business the primary purpose of which is not related to Tax and (iv) Taxes imposed on any earnings on the investment of the cash received pursuant to Section 3.1(a) pending its distribution pursuant to the Bankruptcy Plan.

"Excluded Asset-Sale Taxes" shall mean any and all (i) Taxes imposed on or payable by any Sellers or their Affiliates for any taxable period (whether starting or ending before or after the Closing Date) or with respect to any of the Acquired Assets, the Acquired Properties the Business or the Assumed Liabilities, other than amounts payable by Buyer under Section 5.1(b), and (ii) Liabilities of Buyer or any of its Affiliates for Taxes of any Sellers or their Affiliates as a transferee or successor, by contract, operation of law or otherwise, other than as part of any agreement entered into in the Ordinary Course of Business the primary purpose of which is not related to Tax. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, "Excluded Asset-Sale Taxes" shall not include any Excluded Asset-Reorganization Taxes.

"Excluded Equipment" shall mean all Equipment other than the Acquired Equipment.

"Excluded Improvements" shall mean all Improvements other than the Acquired Improvements.

"Excluded Inventory" shall mean (i) all Inventory other than the Acquired Inventory, (ii) all Inventory held by Sellers which is located at any site which is not a Property and (iii) for the avoidance of doubt, all Inventory located at any GOB Store.

"Excluded IT" shall mean the Equipment and other assets set forth on Schedule 1.1(c).

"Excluded Liabilities" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.4.

"Exclusive License" shall mean the license agreement by and between KCD IP, LLC and Buyer as described in Section 9.14(b).

"Existing Financing Arrangements" shall mean the Citi L/C Facility, the DIP Credit Agreement, the FILO Facility, the IP/Ground Lease Term Loan Facility, the Junior DIP Term Loan Agreement, the Real Estate Loan 2020, the Second Lien Line of Credit Facility, the Second Lien Term Loan, the Second Lien PIK Notes and the Third Amended and Restated Credit Agreement.

"Expenses" shall mean (i) the Buyer Occupancy Costs, if applicable, and (ii) the reasonable and documented out-of-pocket fees, costs and expenses or other disbursements borne by any Seller or its Affiliates incurred or accruing (a) during the Designation Rights Period, to the extent Related to the Operating Leases or Operating Leased Stores, (b) to the extent Related to the GOB Leases or GOB Leased Stores incurred or accruing following the GOB Period for each such GOB Lease or GOB Leased Store, (c) after the Closing, to the extent related to an Additional Contract or any Operating Lease or Operating Leased Store or (d) as a result of Sellers being the tenant under the Designatable Lease or Additional Contract during, with respect to the GOB Leased Stores, the

period commencing after the GOB Period for each such GOB Leased Store and ending at the expiration of the Designation Rights Period, and with respect to any Operating Leased Property, during the Designation Rights Period, and any reasonable and documented fees, costs and expenses incurred by any Seller or its Affiliates in connection with any transfer of a Designatable Lease to Purchaser following the Designation Rights Period, but in each case shall not, for the avoidance of doubt, include rejection damages or Cure Costs.

"Filing" shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"FILO Facility" shall mean the first-in, last-out tranche of debt under the Third Amended and Restated Credit Agreement (as amended by (i) that certain Fifth Amendment to Third Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of March 21, 2018, by and between, inter alios, Sears Roebuck Acceptance Corp. and Kmart Corporation, as borrowers, SHC, Bank of America, N.A., as administrative agent, co-collateral agent and lender, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as co-collateral agent and lender, and PNC Bank, National Association, Citibank N.A., Citizen Business Capital, and Regions Bank, as revolving lenders and (ii) that certain Sixth Amendment to Third Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of March 21, 2018, by and between, inter alios, Sears Roebuck Acceptance Corp. and Kmart Corporation, as borrowers, SHC, Bank of America, N.A., as administrative agent and co-collateral agent, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as co-collateral agent, and Benefit Street 2018 LLC, JPP LLC and JPP II LLC as lenders).

"Final Order" shall mean an action taken or order issued by the applicable Governmental Authority (i) as to which no appeal, notice of appeal, motion to amend or make additional findings of fact, motion to alter or amend judgment, motion for rehearing or motion for new trial, request for stay, motion or petition for reconsideration, application or request for review, or other similar motion, application, notice or request (collectively, a "Challenge") has been timely filed, or, if any of the foregoing has been timely filed, it has been disposed of in a manner that upholds and affirms the subject order in all respects without the possibility for further Challenge thereon and (ii) as to which the time for instituting or filing a Challenge shall have expired.

"Financing" shall mean, collectively, the Debt Financing and the Equity Financing.

"Financing Sources" shall mean, with respect to (x) the Real Estate Financing, the Cyrus Lender and the Sponsor, (y) the Cyrus Financing, the Cyrus Lender, the Sponsor and Citibank, N.A. and (z) the ABL Financing, the Persons that have directly or indirectly committed to provide or otherwise entered into agreements in connection with the ABL Financing in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby pursuant to the ABL Commitment Letter, including the agents, arrangers and lenders party to the ABL Commitment Letter and/or the Debt Financing Documents relating to the ABL Financing, together with any of their respective Affiliates and their respective Affiliates' former, current or future officers, directors, employees, agents and representatives, direct or indirect shareholders or equity holders, managers, members and their respective successors and assigns, in each case in their capacities as such.

"Foreign Subsidiary" shall mean any Subsidiary of any Seller incorporated under any jurisdiction other than the United States of America and its territories, other than Sears RE.

"FTC" shall mean the Federal Trade Commission.

"GAAP" shall mean U.S. generally accepted accounting principles in effect from time to time.

"GOB Leases" shall mean each of (i) those leases or lease agreements (including ground leases) related to the real properties identified on Schedule 1.1(m) (together with all amendments, modifications, supplements and renewals thereof), and (ii) to the extent applicable to such leases and lease agreements, all non-disturbance agreements with fee owners or senior landlords, subordination, non-disturbance and attornment agreements, waivers and consents in favor of any Seller, estoppel certificates from landlords under any such leases and lease agreements (to the extent assignable), and landlord waivers or other collateral access agreements in favor of any Seller or any asset-based lenders.

"GOB Leased Store" shall mean the real property demised pursuant to a GOB Lease.

"GOB Owned Stores" shall mean the real property described in Schedule 1.1(n), including, in each case, all of the right, title and interest of Seller and its Subsidiaries to all Improvements located thereon and all easements and other rights and interests appurtenant thereto and any associated rights to parking.

"GOB Period" shall mean with respect to each GOB Leased Store, the period commencing on the Closing Date and ending on the date that Seller delivers written notice to Buyer that the "going-out-of-business" sale with respect to such GOB Leased Store has been completed and all inventory of Sellers has been removed from such GOB Leased Store. For the avoidance of doubt, Sellers may deliver any such notice on or prior to the Closing Date.

"GOB Stores" shall mean, individually or collectively as the context may require, the GOB Leased Stores and the GOB Owned Stores.

"Governmental Authority" shall mean any United States federal, state, municipal or local or any foreign government, governmental agency or authority, or regulatory or administrative authority, or any court, tribunal or judicial body having jurisdiction, including the Bankruptcy Court.

"Hazardous Substances" shall mean any material, substance or waste (solid, liquid, gaseous or combination thereof) defined, characterized or regulated as "hazardous," "toxic," "explosive," a "pollutant" or a "contaminant" under Environmental Laws, including asbestos or any substance containing asbestos, formaldehyde, polychlorinated biphenyls, lead paint and petroleum or petroleum products (including crude oil and any fraction thereof), and by-products of any or all of the foregoing.

"HSR Act" shall mean the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, as amended, and the relevant rules and regulations thereunder.

"HSR Filing" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 8.3(b).

"Improvements" shall mean all building systems (including HVAC, electrical, plumbing, mechanical, vertical transportation and other similar systems), leasehold alterations, improvements, structures, buildings, fixtures and equipment which are affixed to and constitute a part of any applicable real property. For the avoidance of doubt, Inventory are not Improvements.

"Inbound IP License" shall mean any Contract pursuant to which any Seller is granted any license, covenant not to sue or other rights to use any (i) Intellectual Property or (ii) data (including personal data and personally identifiable information); provided, however, that the term "Inbound IP License" shall not include any Outbound IP License.

"Initial Assigned Agreements" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.7(b).

"Initial Assigned Contract" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.7(b).

"Initial Assigned Lease" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.7(b).

"Intellectual Property" shall mean all intellectual property and other similar proprietary rights, anywhere in the world, whether registered or unregistered, including all rights in and to (i) all trademarks, service marks, logos, trade dress and other source identifiers and commercial indicia of origin, and all registrations and applications therefor, in each case together with the goodwill of the businesses in which the foregoing are used and all goodwill connected with the use of and symbolized by the foregoing (collectively the "Trademarks"), (ii) all trade names, fictitious business names, corporate names and d/b/a names, together with the goodwill of the businesses in which the foregoing are used and all goodwill connected with the use of and symbolized by the foregoing (collectively the "Business Names"), (iii) all domain names, URLs and IP addresses (collectively, such domain names and websites, the "Domain Names"), (iv) any social media accounts, identifiers and handles (collectively the "Media Accounts"), (v) trade secrets, know-how and confidential information, including proprietary rights in and to processes. methods, formulae, marketing and technical information, blueprints, quality assurance and control procedures, design tools and simulation capabilities (collectively, the "Know-How"), (vi) all patents and patent applications (including provisionals, continuations, divisionals, continuationsin-part, renewals, reissues, re-examinations, substitutions and extensions thereof), inventions and inventions disclosures (whether or not patentable)(collectively the "Patents"), (vii) all copyrights and registrations and applications therefor and works of authorship, moral rights, designs and mask work rights (collectively the "Copyrights"), (viii) all database rights and (ix) computer programs and applications and any other software (regardless of the stage of development or completion), including libraries, subroutines, protocols, toolsets, compilers, schematics, plugins, APIs and other components thereof, whether in source code, object code or other form, computerized databases and other computerized compilations and collections of data or information, user interfaces, command structures, report formats, templates, menus, buttons and icons, in each case, relating to computer programs or other software, and descriptions, flow charts, architectures, development tools and other materials used to design, plan, organize and develop any of the foregoing; and all related specifications and documentation (collectively, the "Software").

"Intellectual Property Related Documentation" shall mean each of the following to the extent existing as of the Closing Date and in Sellers' possession or control as of the Closing Date:

(i) all correct and complete physical and electronic copies of all prosecution files and dockets, registration certificates, litigation files and related opinions of counsel and correspondence relating thereto for all issued, registered and applied-for items of Acquired Intellectual Property, (ii) all litigation files to the extent relating to Actions brought for the infringement, dilution, misappropriation or other violation of the Acquired Intellectual Property, (iii) all books, records, files, ledgers or similar documentation in Sellers' possession used to track, organize or maintain any of the Acquired Intellectual Property, (iv) a list of outstanding maintenance, renewal and prosecution deadlines with respect to the applied-for, registered or issued Acquired Intellectual Property that fall within ninety (90) days following the Closing Date and (v) copies of acquisitions agreements relating to acquisitions of the Acquired Intellectual Property.

"Intellectual Property Security Agreement" shall mean that certain Intellectual Property Security Agreement, dated January 4, 2018 (at any time amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified), by and among SHC, Sears Roebuck Acceptance Corp. and Kmart Corporation, as Borrowers, and the other guarantors party thereto, and the lenders named therein, in favor of JPP, LLC, as Agent.

"Intercompany IP Agreements" shall mean any Contract under which a Seller or an Affiliate of a Seller licenses or grants any license, covenant not to sue or other rights under any of the Acquired Intellectual Property to any other Seller(s) or Affiliate(s) of any Seller.

"Inventory" shall mean goods, other than farm products, reflected in the stock ledger of the Sellers as of any date of the determination thereof, which (A) are leased by a person as lessor, (B) are held by a person for sale or lease or to be furnished under a contract of service, (C) are furnished by a person under a contract of service or (D) consist of raw materials, work in process, or materials used or consumed in a business.

"Inventory Purchase Price" shall mean an amount equal to \$1,320,050,000.

"Inventory Value" shall mean, with respect to any Inventory of the Sellers, the value of such Inventory valued at the lower of cost or market value on a basis consistent with the Sellers' current and historical accounting practice in effect on the date hereof, per the stock ledger (without giving effect to LIFO reserves and general ledger reserves for discontinued inventory, markdowns, intercompany profit, rebates and discounts, any cut off adjustments, revaluation adjustments, purchase price adjustments or adjustments with respect to the capitalization of buying, occupancy, distribution and other overhead costs reflected on the balance sheet of the Sellers in respect of Inventory).

"IP/Ground Lease Buyout Amount" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.1(c).

"IP/Ground Lease Property" shall mean the properties that are collateral under the IP/Ground Lease Term Loan Facility, as set forth on Schedule 1.1(d).

"IP/Ground Lease Term Loan Facility" shall mean the loan facility granted pursuant to that certain Term Loan Credit Agreement, dated as of January 4, 2018 (at any time amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified), by and between SHC, as holdings,

Sears Roebuck Acceptance Corp. and Kmart Corporation, as borrowers, the guarantors party thereto from time to time, JPP LLC as agent, and JPP LLC, JPP II LLC, Cyrus Opportunities Master Fund II, Ltd., CRS Master Fund, L.P., Crescent 1, L.P., Canary SC Master Fund, L.P., Cyrus Select Opportunities Master Fund, Ltd., Cyrus Special Strategies Master Fund, LP, and Cyrus 1740 Master Funds, LP, as lenders.

"IP Assignment Agreement" shall mean the agreement substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit B, to be entered into by and between Sellers, on the one hand, and Buyer or its applicable Affiliates, on the other hand.

"IP License" shall mean each Inbound IP License and each Outbound IP License, and any agreement that constitutes an "IP License" as defined in the Intellectual Property Security Agreement, in each case, for the avoidance of doubt, including the KCD Agreements.

"IP Powers of Attorney" shall mean documents appointing attorneys for Buyer or Buyer's designees with full power to execute documents and take all other steps solely in connection with (i) effectuating and implementing the assignment of the Acquired Intellectual Property, (ii) perfecting Buyer's right, title and interest in, to and under the Acquired Intellectual Property pursuant to such assignment and (iii) as otherwise necessary for related bona fide purposes, in each of cases (i) through (iii) in the intellectual property offices of various jurisdictions around the world, at or after the Closing, including, (A) with respect to the applied-for, issued or registered United States Intellectual Property, the power of attorney substantially as set forth in the form at Exhibit C and (B) with respect to any Intellectual Property included in the Acquired Intellectual Property that is issued, filed or registered in a jurisdiction outside of the United States, powers of attorney suitable for recording in each such jurisdiction with terms and conditions substantially similar to those set forth in Exhibit C, except for any different terms and conditions that would be necessary in a recordable power of attorney for the respective local jurisdiction.

"IT Systems" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6.10(e).

"Junior DIP Consideration" shall mean evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Sellers that all obligations (including any accrued and unpaid interest) of the Sellers with respect to \$350,000,000 aggregate principal amount outstanding under the Junior DIP Term Loan Agreement (or such lesser aggregate principal amount outstanding thereunder to the extent that the junior DIP facility under the Junior DIP Credit Agreement is not fully drawn as of the Closing Date) have been satisfied and released.

"Junior DIP Term Loan Agreement" shall mean that certain Superpriority Junior Lien Secured Debtor-in-Possession Credit Agreement dated as of November 29, 2018 by and among SHC, as holdings, Sears Roebuck Acceptance Corp. and Kmart Corporation, as borrowers, the several banks, financial institutions or other entities from time to time party thereto as Term Lenders thereunder and Cantor Fitzgerald Securities as administrative agent and collateral agent as filed with the Bankruptcy Court [Docket No. 951-2].

"KCD Agreements" shall mean all IP Licenses under which KCD IP, LLC or a Seller grants any license, sublicense, covenant not to sue or other rights under any KCD IP to any Seller prior to the Closing.

"KCD IP" shall mean any Intellectual Property owned by KCD IP, LLC as of the date hereof or as of the Closing.

"KCD Notes" shall mean the 6.90% KCD IP, LLC Asset-Backed Notes issued pursuant to the Indenture dated as of May 18, 2006, by KCD IP, LLC as Issuer and U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee.

"Kenmore Marks" shall mean the name "KENMORE" and any name consisting of, containing or incorporating "KENMORE", and all designs and logos associated therewith, in each case, together with all variations thereof; and all Trademarks, Business Names, Domain Names and Media Accounts consisting of, containing or incorporating any of the foregoing.

"Kenmore/DieHard Business" shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"Kmart Marks" shall mean the name "KMART" and any name consisting of, containing or incorporating "KMART", and all designs and logos associated therewith, in each case, together with all variations thereof; and all Trademarks, Business Names, Domain Names and Media Accounts consisting of, containing or incorporating any of the foregoing.

"Knowledge" shall mean, with respect to any matter in question, in the case of Sellers, the knowledge after reasonable inquiry of the individuals set forth on Schedule 1.1(e) with respect to such matter.

"Know-How" shall have the definition set forth in the definition of Intellectual Property.

"L/C Facility Consideration" shall mean evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Sellers that all obligations of Sellers with respect to amounts outstanding or commitments under the Citi L/C Facility (but in no event with respect to a principal amount of greater than \$271 million) have been satisfied and released, including as contemplated by the Cyrus Financing.

"<u>Labeling and Marketing Materials</u>" shall mean all product labeling, product advertising, marketing and promotional materials, training materials and other similar materials, in each case created or developed by or on behalf of a Seller.

"Law" shall mean any foreign or domestic law, statute, code, ordinance, rule, regulation, order, decision, judgment, writ, stipulation, award, injunction or decree by any Governmental Authority, including all Environmental Laws and the Americans with Disabilities Act, as amended ("ADA"), together with all final and unappealable awards or decisions by an arbitrator or arbitration panel ("Arbitrator") by which Sellers or any of the Properties, Leases or Acquired Assets is bound.

"<u>Leases</u>" shall mean collectively (i) the Initial Assigned Leases, and (ii) the Designatable Leases.

"<u>Lease Premises</u>" shall mean each of the Sellers' or its Subsidiaries' leased real properties that is an Initial Assigned Lease or a Designatable Lease.

"<u>Liability</u>" shall mean any liability, indebtedness, debt, guaranty, claim, demand, loss, damage, deficiency, assessment, responsibility, Claim, Action, proceeding or obligation of whatever kind or nature (whether known or unknown, whether asserted or unasserted, whether absolute or contingent, whether accrued or unaccrued, whether liquidated or unliquidated, whether due or to become due, whether determined or determinable, whether choate or inchoate, whether secured or unsecured, whether matured or not yet matured) and including all costs, fees and expenses relating thereto.

"<u>Lien</u>" means any claim, mortgage, option, pledge, lien, encumbrance, title defect, preemptive right, restriction on transfer or other restriction of any kind (other than restrictions on transfer created under applicable securities laws, charge or other security interest).

"Managed Properties" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 8.8(b).

"Management Services" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 8.8(b).

"Management Services Period" shall mean the period commencing immediately following the Closing and (i) for each Acquired Property at which Management Services are being provided, upon (a) the earliest to occur of (1) the date that the applicable Seller receives written notice of termination from Buyer, (2) the six (6) month anniversary of the Closing Date or (3) such later date as may be agreed by the Parties, and (ii) for each Occupancy Leased Premise, five (5) Business Days following the delivery by Buyer of a Buyer Rejection Notice with respect to such Occupancy Leased Premise.

"Management Services Reimbursements" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 8.8(b).

"Marketing Period" means the first period of fourteen (14) consecutive Business Days after the date of this Agreement and throughout each day of which Buyer shall have all of the Required Information and such Required Information is Compliant; provided that January 21, 2019 shall not be considered a Business Day for the purposes of calculating such fourteen (14) Business Day period. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Marketing Period shall not commence and shall be deemed not to have commenced if, on or prior to the completion of such fourteen (14) consecutive Business Day period, (i) Sellers (or any Affiliate thereof) have determined that a restatement of any financial information included in the Required Information is necessary or that such restatement is under consideration, in which case the Marketing Period shall be deemed not to commence unless and until any such restatement has been completed and the applicable Required Information has been amended or Sellers (or any Affiliate thereof) have determined that no restatement shall be required, or (ii) any Required Information would not be Compliant during such fourteen (14) Business Day period. Notwithstanding the provisions of this paragraph, the Marketing Period shall end on any earlier date on which the Debt Financing is consummated: provided, that if Sellers in good faith reasonably believe that they have delivered the Required Information that is Compliant to Buyer, they may deliver to Buyer a written notice to that effect

(stating when they believe they completed such delivery), in which case such Required Information shall be deemed to have been delivered on the date specified in that notice, unless Buyer in good faith reasonably believes that Sellers have not completed delivery of the Required Information or that the Required Information is not Compliant and, within two (2) Business Days after receipt of such notice from Sellers, Buyer delivers a written notice to Sellers to that effect and stating with specificity which Required Information Sellers have not delivered or the reason for which the Required Information is not Compliant, in which case, the Marketing Period shall commence upon delivery to Buyer of such specified information or when such information is Compliant.

"Material Adverse Effect" shall mean any effect, change, condition, circumstance, development or event (any of the foregoing, an "Effect") that, individually or in the aggregate with all other Effects has had, or would reasonably be expected to have, a material adverse effect on (A) the assets, liabilities, properties, business or condition (financial or otherwise) of the Designation Rights, Acquired Assets and Assumed Liabilities taken as a whole, or (B) Sellers' ability to consummate the Transactions pursuant to the terms hereof, in each case excluding any Effect that results from or arises out of: (i) the execution and delivery of this Agreement or the announcement thereof or the pendency or consummation of the Transactions; (ii) any change in the United States or foreign economies or securities or financial markets generally; (iii) any change arising in connection with natural disasters, earthquakes, fire, flood, hurricane, tornado or other weather event, geopolitical conditions or any outbreak or escalation of hostilities or acts of terrorism or war, military actions or any escalation or material worsening of any such hostilities or acts of terrorism or war, military actions existing or underway as of the date hereof; (iv) any effect, change or event that is otherwise generally applicable to the industries and markets in which Sellers operate; (v) changes in (or proposals to change) Laws or accounting regulations or principles; (vi) any action expressly contemplated by this Agreement; (vii) compliance with the terms of this Agreement; or (viii) the Bankruptcy Cases and reasonably anticipated Effects thereof on the Business, the Acquired Assets or the Designation Rights; provided, however, that in the case of the foregoing clauses (ii), (iii), (iv) or (v), any such Effect shall not be deemed to be excluded solely to the extent it has a materially disproportionate adverse effect on the assets, liabilities, properties, business or condition of the Sellers, taken as a whole, compared to other Persons similarly situated in the same industry.

"Material Contracts" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6.11(a).

"Media Accounts" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of Intellectual Property.

"Multiemployer Plan" shall mean a "multiemployer plan" within the meaning of Section 3(37) or 4001(a)(3) of ERISA.

"Non-Recourse Parties" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 13.12.

"Non-Represented Employees" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.7(a).

"Occupancy Agreement" shall mean that certain Occupancy Agreement substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit D.

"Occupancy Expenses" shall mean, with respect to any Lease Premises, all liquidated costs, expenses, obligations and liabilities under or in connection with the applicable Lease payable or paid by any Seller, including any and all mortgage payments, base rent, percentage rent, additional rent, CAM, utilities, Property Taxes and assessments, costs of continuing the level of maintenance and security required by this Agreement, a pro rata portion of insurance (including public liability and casualty insurance) attributable to such Lease or Lease Premises and all other categories of expenses, obligations and liabilities arising or accruing under or in connection with such Lease (whether or not billed by the applicable counterparty to such Lease). For the avoidance of doubt, Occupancy Expenses shall not include any Seller's costs and expenses of (a) any professionals retained in connection with the Bankruptcy Cases or (b) counsel of any kind except to the extent counsel is retained with respect to a Lease or Owned Real Property and not Sellers' other operations.

"Occupancy Leased Premise" has the meaning assigned thereto in the Occupancy Agreement.

"OEA" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of Books and Records.

"Operating Leases" shall mean each of (i) those leases or lease agreements (including ground leases) related to the real properties identified on Schedule 1.1(o) (together with all amendments, modifications, supplements and renewals thereof), and (ii) to the extent applicable to such leases and lease agreements, all non-disturbance agreements with fee owners or senior landlords, subordination, non-disturbance and attornment agreements, waivers and consents in favor of any Seller, estoppel certificates from landlords under any such leases and lease agreements (to the extent assignable), and landlord waivers or other collateral access agreements in favor of any Seller or any asset-based lenders.

"Operating Leased Property" shall mean the real property demised pursuant to an Operating Lease.

"Operating Owned Property" shall mean the real property described in Schedule 1.1(p), including, in each case, all of the right, title and interest of Seller and its Subsidiaries to all Improvements located thereon and all easements and other rights and interests appurtenant thereto and any associated rights to parking.

"Order" shall mean any award, writ, injunction, judgment, order, decree, attachment, stay, stipulation, certification, determination, decision, verdict, ruling, subpoena, or award issued or entered by or with any Governmental Authority or Arbitrator (whether temporary, preliminary or permanent).

"Ordered Inventory" shall mean Inventory (other than Prepaid Inventory) of the type set forth on Schedule 1.1(f) that has been ordered by Sellers prior to the Closing Date but as to which Sellers have not taken title or delivery prior to the Closing Date.

"Ordinary Course of Business" shall mean the operation of the Business in the ordinary and usual course consistent with past practice as well as (and subject to) the Filing and all Orders entered in connection therewith.

"Other Payables" shall mean the accounts payable set forth on Schedule 1.1(g).

"Outbound IP License" shall mean any Contract pursuant to which any Seller has granted any license, covenant not to use or other rights under any (i) Acquired Intellectual Property or (ii) Acquired Data, in each case, whether or not, pursuant to such Contract, any Seller was granted any license, covenant not to sue or other rights to use any (A) Intellectual Property or (B) data (including personal data and personally identifiable information).

"Outside Date" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 12.1(a)(ii).

"Owned Real Property" shall mean (i) the GOB Owned Stores and (ii) the Operating Owned Properties.

"PA Liabilities" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.3(e).

"PA Liabilities Services Agreement" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.8(e).

"PartsDirect Marks" shall mean the name "PARTSDIRECT" and any name consisting of, containing or incorporating "PARTSDIRECT", and all designs and logos associated therewith, in each case, together with all variations thereof; and all Trademarks, Business Names, Domain Names and Media Accounts consisting of, containing or incorporating any of the foregoing.

"Party" or "Parties" shall mean, individually or collectively, Buyer and Sellers.

"Patents" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of Intellectual Property.

"Payoff Letters" shall mean, with respect to the Third Amended and Restated Credit Facility, the FILO Facility, the DIP Credit Agreement and the Junior DIP Term Loan, payoff letters in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to Buyer (subject only to delivery of funds, as arranged by Buyer, the credit bids pursuant to Section 363(k) of the Bankruptcy Code described in Section 3.1(b)(ii) or other satisfaction), that provide for the full and unconditional release of any and all Liens and other security interests on the Acquired Assets (subject, in each case, only to delivery of funds as arranged by Buyer). To the extent required to effect the release in the previous sentence, such Payoff Letter shall include UCC-3 termination statements and fully executed short-form termination and release agreements with respect to any and all security interests in intellectual property that, when filed or recorded, as the case may be, will be sufficient to release any and all such security interests in intellectual property, and the authorization for the Sellers to file or record such documents (unless already filed concurrently with delivery of such Payoff Letter).

"Pending Inventory" shall mean the Ordered Inventory and the Prepaid Inventory.

"Permits" shall mean, with respect to any Lease Premises or Owned Real Property, all franchises, grants, authorizations, licenses, permits, easements, variances, exceptions, consents,

certificates (including all certificates of occupancy), building permits, fire, health and safety permits, site plan approvals and all other planning approvals, zoning variances, conditional or special use permits (including for firearms or other special occupancies or uses), general assembly or general use permits or other similar documentation, and all Environmental Permits, approvals, clearances and Orders of a Governmental Authority.

"<u>Permitted Encumbrances</u>" shall mean Permitted Post-Closing Encumbrances and Permitted Pre-Closing Encumbrances.

"Permitted Post-Closing Encumbrances" shall mean (i) with respect to real property leased or owned by Sellers, zoning restrictions, building codes and other land use laws regulating the use or occupancy of real property, (ii) non-monetary encumbrances to the extent that the Approval Order does not in fact release any such Encumbrance upon Closing, (iii) any encumbrances on the interest of any landlord or sublandlord or underlying fee interest of any Acquired Lease and (iv) as otherwise set forth on Schedule 1.1(i).

"Permitted Pre-Closing Encumbrances" shall mean (i) with respect to real property leased or owned by Sellers, zoning restrictions, building codes and other land use laws regulating the use or occupancy of real property and defects of title, easements, rights of way, covenants and restrictions, and any other encumbrance, in each case, that do not, individually or in the aggregate. materially affect the value and do not materially interfere with the use and operation of the assets to which they relate, (ii) other non-monetary Encumbrances that do not, individually or in the aggregate, materially interfere with the use or market value of the assets to which they relate or which will be cleared by the Bankruptcy Court, (iii) any encumbrances on the interest of any landlord or sublandlord or underlying fee interest of any Acquired Lease, (iv) non-exclusive licenses to Intellectual Property granted to customers, suppliers and other service providers of Sellers to the extent necessary for their respective use of the products and services of the Business or for the provision of services to Sellers and its Subsidiaries in connection therewith and entered into in the Ordinary Course of Business, (v) liens for Taxes that are not delinquent or which are being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings and with respect to which adequate reserves are being maintained to the extent required in accordance with GAAP, (vi) mechanics', carriers', workmen's, repairmen's or other similar liens arising or incurred in the Ordinary Course of Business for amounts which are (x) not due and payable and (y) not, individually or in the aggregate, material to the Business or the Acquired Assets, (vii) such other imperfections in title, charges, easements, restrictions and encumbrances which do not secure an obligation to pay money or materially interfere with the use or market value of the assets to which they relate and (viii) as otherwise set forth on Schedule 1.1(j).

"<u>Person</u>" shall mean any individual, corporation (including any non-profit corporation), partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, estate, trust, association, organization or other entity or Governmental Authority.

"Petition Date" shall have the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"Pharmacy Receivables" means Accounts (as defined under the UCC) arising from the sale of prescription drugs or other Inventory which can be dispensed only through an order of a licensed professional (including, for the avoidance of doubt, for pharmacy scripts).

"Plans and Permits" shall mean, with respect to any Lease Premises or Owned Real Property, all related reports (including engineering and environmental), surveys (boundary and topographical), plans, blueprints and other schematics, franchises, grants, authorizations, licenses, permits, easements, variances, exceptions, consents, certificates (including all certificates of occupancy), building permits, fire, health and safety permits, site plan approvals and all other planning approvals, zoning variances, conditional or special use permits (including for firearms or other special occupancies or uses), general assembly or general use permits or other similar documentation, and all Environmental Permits, approvals, clearances and Orders of a Governmental Authority, together with all architect, engineer, contractor, vendor and supplier warranties and guarantees with respect to any of the foregoing and/or the related Improvements.

"<u>Potential Acquired Assets</u>" shall mean all assets of Seller of any kind that either (i) constitute an Acquired Asset (other than Leases or Contracts) or (ii) constitute Potential Transferred Agreements.

"Potential Transferred Agreement" shall mean (i) all Leases and (ii) all other Contracts Related to the Business to which a Seller is a party and all IP Licenses, excluding, in each case, this Agreement, the Approval Order, the Existing Financing Arrangements and any other Transaction Documents, and any engagement letters or agreements between any Seller and any estate professionals retained by such Seller. For the avoidance of doubt, the foregoing Leases and Contracts are required to be listed on the list provided by the Seller to Buyer within five (5) Business Days following the date hereof in accordance with Section 2.7.

"Pre-Assignment Tax Period" shall mean, with respect to any Acquired Asset, Acquired Property or Assumed Liability, any taxable period (or portion thereof) ending on or before the date on which (i) the sale, transfer, assignment, conveyance or delivery of, or relating to, such Acquired Asset or Acquired Property to Buyer (or an applicable Assignee) or (ii) the assumption of such Assumed Liability by Buyer (or an applicable Assignee), in each case, is consummated, which date shall be the Closing Date or the applicable Designation Assignment Date pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.

"Prepaid Inventory" shall mean all Inventory that has been paid for by Sellers prior to the Closing Date but as to which Sellers have not taken title or delivery as of the Closing Date.

"Prepaid Inventory Shortfall Amount" shall mean an amount equal to \$147,000,000 less the amount of the Prepaid Inventory as of the Closing Date; provided, that if the Warranty Receivables Shortfall Amount is a negative number, the Prepaid Inventory Shortfall Amount shall be reduced by the absolute value of the Warranty Receivables Shortfall Amount.

"Proceeding" shall mean any claim, as defined in the Bankruptcy Code, action, arbitration, audit, hearing, investigation, litigation, or suit (whether civil criminal, administrative or

investigative) commenced, brought, conducted, or heard by or before, or otherwise involving, any Governmental Authority.

"Product Catalogs and Manuals" shall mean all product catalogs, manuals and user guides, in each case created or developed by or on behalf of any Seller.

"Property" shall mean any (i) each Lease Premises and (ii) each Owned Real Property.

"Property Taxes" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(i).

"Purchase Price" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.1.

"Real Estate Financing" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.4(a).

"Real Estate Financing Commitment Letter" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.4(a).

"Real Estate Loan 2020" shall mean the loan extended pursuant to that certain Third Amended and Restated Loan Agreement, dated June 4, 2018 (as at any time amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified), among Sears, Roebuck and Co,, Kmart Stores of Illinois LLC, Kmart of Washington LLC, Kmart Corporation, SHC Desert Springs, LLC, Innovel Solutions, Inc., Sears Holdings Management Corporation, MaxServ, Inc., Troy Coolidge No 13, LLC, Sears Development Co. and Big Beaver of Florida Development, LLC, collectively as borrowers, SHC, as guarantor, JPP, LLC as agent, and JPP, LLC, JPP II LLC and Cascade Investment, L.L.C., as lenders.

"Real Estate Loan 2020 Buyout Amount" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.1(c).

"Receivables Purchase Price" shall mean an amount equal to \$88,400,000.

"Related" to any business, asset or Liability, shall mean owned or held primarily by, required primarily for, or used, intended for use, leased or licensed, primarily in connection with, or (in the case of Liabilities) to the extent accrued, reserved or incurred in connection with, such business, asset or Liability.

"Representative" shall mean, with respect to a particular Person, any director, officer, employee, agent, consultant, advisor or other representative of such Person, including legal counsel, accountants and financial advisors.

"Represented Employees" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.7.

"Required Information" means (x) the financial information regarding the Sellers necessary and requested in writing from the Sellers prior to the date hereof for Buyer to prepare the pro forma financial statements referenced in paragraph 5(i) of Exhibit C of the ABL Commitment Letter and (y) the financial statements regarding the Sellers referenced in paragraph 5(ii) of Exhibit C of the ABL Commitment Letter; (provided, that Buyer acknowledges that as of

the date of this Agreement Buyer has received the financial information and financial statements referred to in clauses (x) and (y) of this definition).

"Retained Books and Records" shall mean (i) any documents that Sellers are required by applicable Law to retain, provided that a copy of such Books and Records that is also related to the Business, the Acquired Assets or the Assumed Liabilities shall be included in Books and Records, and Sellers shall redact from any copies included in the Retained Books and Records any information to the extent related to the Business, the Acquired Assets or the Assumed Liabilities to the extent permitted by applicable Law, (ii) corporate seals, minute books, charter documents, corporate stock record books, original Tax Returns and such other books and records, in each case, as pertaining to the organization, or share capitalization of any of Sellers, (iii) any documents, instruments, records and other written or electronic material in whatever form or media exclusively related to any of the Excluded Assets or Excluded Liabilities, (iv) copies of any Books and Records or information Related to any Excluded Assets or Excluded Liabilities, provided that a copy of such Books and Records that is also related to the Business, the Acquired Assets or the Assumed Liabilities shall be included in Books and Records, (v) confidential personnel and medical records pertaining to current and former directors, officers, employees, consultants and independent contractors of the Sellers solely to the extent that a transfer of such information would be in violation of applicable Laws and provided that Sellers shall reasonably cooperate with Buyer to enter into any Contracts that Buyer may reasonably request in order to render the provision of such information compliant with all applicable Laws, (vi) documents relating to proposals to acquire the Business or the Acquired Assets or any part thereof by any Person other than Buyer, (vii) all documents prepared in connection with this Agreement or the Transactions and (viii) all documents primarily relating to the Bankruptcy Case and copies of all documents relating to the Bankruptcy Case.

"Sears Marks" shall mean the name "SEARS" and any name consisting of, containing or incorporating "SEARS", and all designs and logos associated therewith, in each case, together with all variations thereof; and all Trademarks, Business Names, Domain Names and Media Accounts consisting of, containing or incorporating any of the foregoing.

"Sears Re" shall mean Sears Reinsurance Company Ltd., a Bermuda Class 3 insurer.

"Second Lien Credit Agreement" shall mean that certain Second Lien Credit Agreement, dated as of September 1, 2016 by and among Sears Roebuck Acceptance Corp. and Kmart Corporation, as borrowers, SHC, JPP LLC, as administrative agent and collateral administrator, JPP LLC and JPP II LLC, as lenders, and the guarantors party thereto from time to time.

"Second Lien Line of Credit Facility" shall mean the line of credit facility granted pursuant to an amendment to the Second Lien Credit Agreement.

"Second Lien Term Loan" shall mean the term loan granted pursuant to the Second Lien Credit Agreement.

"Second Lien PIK Notes" shall mean those certain 6 5/8% secured convertible notes due October 2019, issued by SHC pursuant to that certain Indenture, dated March 20, 2018 (as at any

time amended, restated, amended and restated or otherwise modified) by and among SHC, as issuer, Computershare Trust Company, N.A., as trustee, and California Builder Appliances, Inc., Florida Builder Appliances, Inc., Kmart Corporation, Kmart Holding Corporation, Kmart Operations LLC, Sears Operations LLC, Sears, Roebuck and Co., Sears Holdings Management Corporation, Sears Home Improvement Products, Inc., Sears Roebuck Acceptance Corp., A&E Factory Service, LLC, A&E Home Delivery, LLC, A&E Lawn & Garden, LLC, A&E Signature Service, LLC, KLC, Inc., Kmart of Michigan, Inc., Private Brands, Ltd., Sears Brands Management Corporation, Sears Protection Company, Sears Protection Company (Florida) L.L.C., Sears Roebuck de Puerto Rico, Inc., SOE, Inc., Starwest, LLC, Kmart.com LLC, Kmart of Washington LLC, Kmart Stores of Illinois LLC, Kmart Stores of Texas LLC, and Mygofer LLC, as guarantors.

"Securities Consideration" means debt or equity securities in Buyer, in an amount and form to be determined by Buyer in an amount and form reasonably acceptable to Buyer, including as to subordination.

"Security Deposit Documents" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(0).

"Security Deposits" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(o).

"Seller" and "Sellers" shall have the meanings set forth in the Preamble.

"Seller Instructions" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.8(c).

"Seller Retained Occupancy Agreement" shall mean that certain Seller Retained Occupancy Agreement in the form attached hereto as Exhibit F.

"Seller SEC Reports" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6.12.

"Seller Products" shall mean any product manufactured, sold, offered for sale or otherwise distributed by a Seller within the scope of the Business.

"Seller Releasing Party" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.13.

"Seller Services" shall mean any service of the type provided by a Seller within the scope of the Business.

"Seritage Master Lease" shall mean the Master Lease by and among Seritage SRC Finance LLC, Seritage KMT Finance LLC, Kmart Operations, LLC, and Sears Operations, LLC, dated as of July 7, 2015, as modified by the Side Letter to Master Lease, by and among Seritage SRC Finance LLC, Seritage KMT Finance LLC, Kmart Operations, LLC, and Sears Operations, LLC, dated as of July 7, 2015.

"Service Providers" shall mean the current and former directors, officers, employees, consultants and independent contractors of Sellers and their Affiliates.

"ServiceLive Marks" shall mean the name "SERVICELIVE" and any name consisting of, containing or incorporating "SERVICELIVE", and all designs and logos associated therewith, in each case, together with all variations thereof; and all Trademarks, Business Names, Domain Names and Media Accounts consisting of, containing or incorporating any of the foregoing.

"Severance Reimbursement Obligations" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.7(i).

"SHC" shall have the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

"SHIP Closing" shall mean the Closing (as defined in the SHIP Purchase Agreement).

"SHIP Purchase Agreement" means that certain SHIP Asset Purchase Agreement entered into as of November 2, 2018 by and between SHC, a Delaware corporation, and Service.com, Inc., a Delaware corporation (as may be amended from time to time).

"SHIP Purchase Agreement Assets" means the Transferred Assets (as defined in the SHIP Purchase Agreement).

"SHIP Purchase Agreement Liabilities" means the Assumed Liabilities (as defined in the SHIP Purchase Agreement).

"Shop Your Way Marks" shall mean the name "SHOP YOUR WAY" and any name consisting of, containing or incorporating "SHOP YOUR WAY", and all designs and logos associated therewith, in each case, together with all variations thereof; and all Trademarks, Business Names, Domain Names and Media Accounts consisting of, containing or incorporating any of the foregoing.

"Short Form Assignments" shall mean (i) with respect to any Trademarks, Patents or Copyrights issued, filed or registered in the United States and included in the Acquired Intellectual Property, agreements substantially in the form of Schedule 1, Schedule 2 or Schedule 3 of the IP Assignment Agreement, (ii) with respect to any Domain Names included in the Acquired Intellectual Property, an agreement substantially in the form of Schedule 4 of the IP Assignment Agreement and (iii) with respect to any Intellectual Property included in the Acquired Intellectual Property that is issued, filed or registered in a jurisdiction outside of the United States, an assignment agreement suitable for recording in the relevant jurisdictions with terms and conditions substantially similar to those set forth in Schedule 1, Schedule 2 or Schedule 3 of IP Assignment Agreement, except for any different terms and conditions that would be necessary in a recordable assignment agreement for the respective local jurisdiction, in each case of clauses (i) thorough (iii) to be entered into by and between a Seller, on the one hand, and Buyer or its applicable Affiliates, on the other hand (clauses (i) through (iii) shall include each of the issued, registered or applied-for items of Intellectual Property included in the Acquired Intellectual Property).

"Smart Sense Marks" shall mean the name "SMART SENSE" and any name consisting of, containing or incorporating "SMART SENSE", and all designs and logos associated therewith, in each case, together with all variations thereof; and all Trademarks, Business Names, Domain Names and Media Accounts consisting of, containing or incorporating any of the foregoing.

"Software" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of Intellectual Property.

"Sparrow Properties" shall mean the real properties set forth on Schedule 1.1(q).

"Specified Receivables" shall mean the accounts receivable set forth on Schedule 1.1(k).

"Specified Receivables Shortfall Amount" shall mean an amount equal to \$255,200,000 less the amount of the Specified Receivables delivered to Buyer at Closing.

"Sponsor" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 7.4(a).

"Straddle Period" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.2(d).

"Store Cash" shall mean any cash of the Sellers in the registers or otherwise held at any Operating Lease Property or any Operating Owned Property, in an amount not to exceed \$17,000,000.

"Subsidiary" shall mean, with respect to any Person, any other Person where a majority of its outstanding voting or equity interests are held, directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, by such Person.

"Tax" or "Taxes" shall mean any federal, state, provincial, local, municipal, foreign or other taxes, duties, levies, governmental charges or assessments or deficiencies thereof, including all income, alternative, minimum, franchise, capital stock, net worth, capital gains, profits, intangibles, gross receipts, value added, sales, use, goods and services, excise, customs, transfer, recording, occupancy, employment, unemployment, social security, payroll, withholding, estimated or other taxes, duties, levies or other governmental charges or assessments or deficiencies thereof (including all interest and penalties thereon and additions thereto), in each case imposed by any Governmental Authority.

"<u>Tax Opinion</u>" shall mean an opinion at a "more likely than not" or higher standard as to the tax consequences of any of the transactions described in <u>Article II</u>.

"<u>Tax Proceeding</u>" shall mean any audit, examination, investigation or other administrative or judicial proceeding with or against any Governmental Authority or otherwise with respect to Taxes.

"Tax Reorganization" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.12.

"Tax Result" shall mean (i) the minimization of the net amount of Taxes imposed on, and (ii) the maximization of the aggregate amount of the Tax attributes described in section 108(b)(2) of the Code available for utilization by, in each case, (x) Buyer or the group of affiliated corporations (within the meaning of section 1504(a) of the Code) of which Buyer is the parent (or a member) or (y) Buyer or any combined group of which it is a member for state Tax purposes.

"<u>Tax Return</u>" shall mean any return, declaration, report, claim for refund, information return or other document (including any related or supporting estimates, elections, schedules,

statements, or information) filed with or required to be filed with any Governmental Authority in connection with the determination, assessment or collection of any Tax or the administration of any Laws, regulations or administrative requirements relating to any Tax.

"Third Amended and Restated Credit Agreement" shall mean that certain Third Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated as of July 21, 2015 (as at any time amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified), by and among Sears Roebuck Acceptance Corp. and Kmart Corporation, as borrowers, SHC, Bank of America, N.A., as administrative agent, co-collateral agent and swingline lender, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association as co-collateral agent, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association as syndication agent, PNC Bank, National Association, Siemens Financial Services, Inc., Ally Bank and Citigroup Global Markets Inc. as co-documentation agents, Merrill Lynch Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, PNC Bank, National Association and Citigroup Global Markets Inc. as joint bookrunners pursuant to which Third Amended and Restated Credit Agreement Sears Roebuck Acceptance Corp. and Kmart Corporation entered into two senior secured term loan facilities as well as a \$1.5 billion asset-based revolving credit facility with a syndicate of lenders.

"Title Company" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.9.

"<u>Titled Property</u>" shall have the meaning set forth in <u>Section 9.9</u>.

"Trademarks" shall have the meaning set forth in the definition of Intellectual Property.

"Transaction Documents" shall mean this Agreement and any other agreements, instruments or documents entered into pursuant to this Agreement.

"Transactions" shall mean the transactions contemplated to be consummated by this Agreement and the Transaction Documents, including the purchase and sale of the Designation Rights and the Acquired Assets and the assumption of the Assumed Liabilities provided for in this Agreement.

"Transfer Taxes" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.3(a).

"Transferred Employees" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 9.7(a).

"<u>UCC</u>" shall mean the Uniform Commercial Code as from time to time in effect in the State of Delaware.

"Wally Marks" shall mean the name "WALLY" and any name consisting of, containing or incorporating "WALLY", and all designs and logos associated therewith, in each case, together with all variations thereof; and all Trademarks, Business Names, Domain Names and Media Accounts consisting of, containing or incorporating any of the foregoing.

"WARN Act" shall mean the Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act of 1988, as amended, any similar Law (including any similar local, state or non-U.S. notice requirement relating to the termination of employees), and the rules and regulations thereunder.

"Warranty Receivables" shall mean those certain accounts receivable set forth on Schedule 1.1(1).

"Warranty Receivables Shortfall Amount" shall mean an amount equal to \$53,600,000 less the amount of the Warranty Receivables delivered to Buyer at Closing; provided, that if the Prepaid Inventory Shortfall Amount is a negative number, the Warranty Receivables Shortfall Amount shall be reduced by the absolute value of the Prepaid Inventory Shortfall Amount.

"Weatherbeater Marks" shall mean the name "WEATHERBEATER" and any name consisting of, containing or incorporating "WEATHERBEATER", and all designs and logos associated therewith, in each case, together with all variations thereof; and all Trademarks, Business Names, Domain Names and Media Accounts consisting of, containing or incorporating any of the foregoing.

Section 1.2 Other Definitions and Interpretive Matters.

- (a) Unless otherwise indicated to the contrary in this Agreement by the context or use thereof:
 - (i) When calculating the period of time before which, within which or following which any act is to be done or step taken pursuant to this Agreement, the date that is the reference date in calculating such period shall be excluded. If the last day of such period is a day other than a Business Day, the period in question shall end on the next succeeding Business Day.
 - (ii) Any reference in this Agreement to "dollars" or "\$" means U.S. dollars.
 - Unless the context otherwise requires, all capitalized terms used in the (iii) Exhibits and Schedules shall have the respective meanings assigned in this Agreement. No reference to or disclosure of any item or other matter in the Exhibits and Schedules shall be construed as an admission or indication that such item or other matter is material or that such item or other matter is required to be referred to or disclosed in the Exhibits and Schedules. No disclosure in the Exhibits and Schedules relating to any possible breach or violation of any Contract or Law shall be construed as an admission or indication that any such breach or violation exists or has actually occurred. Solely to the extent any Schedule is related to any representation or warranty contained in this Agreement, any information, item or other disclosure set forth in any Schedule shall be deemed to have been set forth in all other applicable Schedules relating to representations or warranties contained in this Agreement if the relevance of such disclosure to such other Schedule is reasonably apparent on the face of such disclosure. All Exhibits and Schedules attached or annexed hereto or referred to herein are hereby incorporated in and made a part of this Agreement as if set forth in full herein.

- (iv) Any reference in this Agreement to gender includes all genders, and words importing the singular number also include the plural and vice versa.
- (v) The provision of a table of contents, the division of this Agreement into Articles, Sections and other subdivisions and the insertion of headings are for convenience of reference only and shall not affect or be utilized in the construction or interpretation of this Agreement. All references in this Agreement to any "Section," "Article," "Schedule," or "Exhibit" are to the corresponding Section, Article, Schedule, or Exhibit of or to this Agreement unless otherwise specified.
- (vi) Words such as "herein," "hereof" and "hereunder" refer to this Agreement as a whole and not merely to a subdivision in which such words appear, unless the context otherwise requires.
- (vii) The word "extent" and the phrase "to the extent" when used in this Agreement shall mean the degree to which a subject or other thing extends, and such word or phrase shall not merely mean "if."
- (viii) The word "including" or any variation thereof means "including, without limitation," and shall not be construed to limit any general statement that it follows to the specific or similar items or matters immediately following it.
- (ix) References to "any" shall mean "any and all," and "or" is used in the inclusive sense of "and/or."
- (b) No Strict Construction. Buyer, on the one hand, and Sellers, on the other hand, participated jointly in the negotiation and drafting of this Agreement, and, in the event an ambiguity or question of intent or interpretation arises, this Agreement shall be construed as jointly drafted by Buyer, on the one hand, and Sellers, on the other hand, and no presumption or burden of proof shall arise favoring or disfavoring any Party by virtue of the authorship of any provision of this Agreement. Without limitation as to the foregoing, no rule of strict construction construing ambiguities against the draftsperson shall be applied against any Person with respect to this Agreement.

ARTICLE II

PURCHASE AND SALE

Section 2.1 <u>Purchase and Sale of the Acquired Assets</u>. Upon the terms and subject to the conditions of this Agreement, and subject to <u>Section 2.6</u> and <u>Article V</u> with respect to the Designation Rights and Designatable Leases, and <u>Section 2.7(d)</u>, <u>Section 2.9</u> and <u>Article V</u> with respect to Additional Contracts, on the Closing Date, Sellers shall sell, transfer, assign, convey and deliver, or cause to be sold, transferred, assigned, conveyed and delivered, to Buyer or the applicable Assignee, and Buyer or such applicable Assignee shall purchase, all right, title and interest of Sellers, in, to or under all assets, properties and rights Related to the Business other than the Excluded Assets, and the following assets, properties and rights (collectively, the "<u>Acquired Assets</u>") free and clear of any and all Encumbrances of any kind, nature or description and any

Claims, in each case other than Permitted Post-Closing Encumbrances and those rights subject to Section 365(n) of the Bankruptcy Code to the extent applicable:

- (a) the Assigned Agreements and the Designation Rights;
- (b) all Acquired Lease Rights;
- (c) all Owned Real Property;
- (d) all Acquired Inventory, all Acquired Receivables, all Acquired Equipment and all Acquired Improvements;
- (e) all Intellectual Property owned (whether solely or jointly with others) by Sellers, including (i) the Sears Marks, the Kmart Marks, the Shop Your Way Marks, the ServiceLive Marks, the PartsDirect Marks, the Wally Marks, the Smart Sense Marks, the Weatherbeater Marks, the Kenmore Marks registered or applied for outside of the United States and the DieHard Marks registered or applied for outside of the United States, (ii) the Trademarks, listed on Schedule 2.1(a)(i) attached hereto, (iii) the Business Names listed on Schedule 2.1(a)(ii) attached hereto, (iv) the Patents listed on Schedule 2.1(a)(iii) attached hereto, (v) the Copyrights listed on Schedule 2.1(a)(iv) attached hereto, (vi) the Domain Names listed on Schedule 2.1(a)(v) attached hereto, (vii) the Media Accounts listed on Schedule 2.1(a)(vi) attached hereto and (viii) all Intellectual Property that constitutes "Collateral" as defined in the Intellectual Property Security Agreement (collectively, the "Acquired Intellectual Property"), in each case of the foregoing together with the rights (A) to sue and recover damages and obtain equitable relief for past, present and future infringement, misappropriation, dilution or other violation thereof, (B) to collect past and future royalties and other payments thereunder, (C) to claim priority thereon under any Law, (D) to prosecute, register, maintain and defend such Intellectual Property before any public or private agency, office or registrar and (E) to fully and entirely stand in the place of Sellers, as applicable, in all matters related thereto; for the avoidance of doubt, Buyer and Sellers hereby acknowledge and agree that as of the Closing Date, Buyer shall be the successor in interest to each of the businesses of Sellers to which the Trademarks included in the Acquired Intellectual Property pertain, and such businesses shall be ongoing and existing;
- (f) all goodwill and other intangible assets associated with or connected to the Business or symbolized by any of the Acquired Intellectual Property and all goodwill of the businesses in which the Trademarks and Business Names included in the Acquired Intellectual Property are used and all goodwill connected with the use of and symbolized by the foregoing;
- (g) (i) all data owned or controlled (meaning any data Sellers have the ability to transfer in compliance with applicable Law) by any of the Sellers and contained in Sellers' IT Systems, data centers or databases stored by third parties on behalf of Sellers or otherwise collected, accessed, acquired, stored, protected, used, re-used or otherwise processed by or on behalf of a Seller to the extent the sale or transfer of such data is not in contravention with applicable Law or any of any Seller's applicable privacy policies or contractual restrictions, (ii) Customer Data to the extent the sale or transfer of such Customer Data is not in contravention with applicable Law or any of any Seller's applicable privacy policies or contractual restrictions and (iii) all other data

that constitutes "Collateral" as defined in the Intellectual Property Security Agreement, to the extent the sale or transfer of such data is not in contravention with applicable Law or any of any Seller's applicable privacy policies or contractual restrictions (the data described in this clause (iii), together with the data described in clauses (i) and (ii), the "Acquired Data");

- (h) any Claims, causes of action, claims, rights of recovery or rights of set-off arising under any IP Licenses included in the Assigned Agreements on or after the Closing Date, and the right to collect past and future royalties and other payments, as well as prepaid expenses of Sellers thereunder;
- (i) any and all real (including real estate taxes, assessments and related governmental impositions both general and special imposed under the laws of any one or more jurisdictions in which the applicable Lease Premises is located against the land, buildings and other improvements), personal and intangible property Taxes ("<u>Property Taxes</u>") that are prepaid with respect to such Acquired Lease or any other related Acquired Assets; <u>provided</u>, that such Property Taxes are Assumed Liabilities or Liabilities for which Buyer is otherwise responsible hereunder;
- (j) any interest in or right to any refund, rebate or credit of Taxes that are Assumed Liabilities or for which Buyer is otherwise responsible hereunder including (for the avoidance of doubt) any such refund, rebate or credit of a Tax that becomes payable or available to Sellers in the future in respect of a Tax previously paid or otherwise incurred by Buyer pursuant to Section 3.5;
- (k) all rights (but not obligations) of Sellers under any non-disclosure or confidentiality, non-compete or non-solicitation agreements, to the extent any such agreement relates to the Business or any Acquired Asset;
 - (l) all assignable Assigned Plans and Permits that are Related to the Business;
- (m) any and all Books and Records (which, with respect to any electronic forms thereof, may be copies) and any and all Intellectual Property Related Documentation;
- (n) all Labeling and Marketing Materials and Product Catalogs and Manuals owned by Sellers;
- (o) any and all rights of Sellers in and to any restricted cash, security deposits, letters of credit, escrow deposits and cash collateral, including cash collateral given to obtain or maintain letters of credit and cash drawn or paid on letters of credit, utility deposits, performance, payment or surety bonds, credits, allowance, prepaid rent or other assets, charges, setoffs, prepaid expenses, other prepaid items and other security (collectively, "Security Deposits"), together with all contracts, agreements or documents evidencing or related to the same (collectively, "Security Deposit Documents"), in each case to the extent related to any Acquired Asset;
- (p) any and all Claims (other than returns of merchandise for warranty claims (except, for the avoidance of doubt, to the extent comprising Assumed Liabilities) and excluding any Claims Related to an Excluded Asset or Excluded Liability) of Sellers as of the Closing to the extent related to the Business or any Acquired Asset;

- (q) subject to Section 5.1(a)(v), Section 5.1(a)(vi) and Section 9.8(c), any and all insurance proceeds, warranty proceeds, condemnation awards or other compensation in respect of loss or damage to the Business or any Acquired Asset (and any right or claim of Sellers to any such proceeds, awards or other compensation), in each case, to the extent relating to a casualty occurring prior to, on or after the date hereof, and whether received prior to, on or after Closing Date, but less any proceeds in respect of the Acquired Assets set forth on Schedule 2.1(q) in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$13,000,000.
 - (r) subject to Section 2.8(e), the KCD Notes from Sears Re as Seller;
- (s) all equity interests of SRC O.P. LLC owned by SRC Sparrow 2 LLC as Seller; provided, that if either (i) SRC Sparrow 2 LLC has filed a petition for relief commencing a case under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code for the purpose of selling such equity interests in SRC O.P. LLC, and Buyer or its Affiliate has purchased such equity interests pursuant to a chapter 11 plan of reorganization or a sale of assets pursuant to section 363(m) of the Bankruptcy Code or (ii) Buyer shall have acquired the Sparrow Properties pursuant to foreclosure, then Buyer shall be deemed to have purchased the equity interests in SRC O.P. LLC described in this subsection (s);
- (t) all Actions and other rights, rebates, refunds, audits, rights of recovery, rights of setoff, rights of recoupment, rights of reimbursement, rights of indemnity or contribution and other similar rights (known and unknown, matured and unmatured, accrued or contingent, regardless of whether such rights are currently exercisable) against any Person, including all warranties, representations, guarantees, indemnities and other contractual claims (express, implied or otherwise), in each case to the extent related to the Business or any Acquired Asset (excluding for the avoidance of doubt, any Claims arising under any Transaction Document), including, subject to the terms and conditions of the SHIP Purchase Agreement and applicable Law, if the SHIP Closing shall have occurred prior to the Closing Date, the indemnities set forth in Section 6.08(b) and Section 6.08(e) of the SHIP Purchase Agreement;
- (u) all Contracts Related to the Business (i) that include a manufacturer's warranty relating to Seller Products or Seller Services and (ii) relating to repair services provided by the Business in relation to Seller Products or Seller Services;
 - (v) the Buyer Party Release;
- (w) all assets, properties and rights that constitute "Collateral" as defined in the Intellectual Property Security Agreement, other than data which is the subject of Section 2.1(g); and Intellectual Property which is the subject of Section 2.1(e);
 - (x) the right to receive the Pending Inventory;
 - (y) the Credit Card Claims;
- (z) either (i) the SHIP Purchase Agreement Assets, if the SHIP Closing shall not have occurred prior to the Closing Date (in which circumstance, for the avoidance of doubt, any Owned Real Property (as defined in the SHIP Purchase Agreement) shall be deemed Operating Owned Property, and all Leased Real Property (as defined in the SHIP Purchase Agreement) shall be

deemed Operating Leased Property), or (ii) any and all proceeds received by Sellers pursuant to the SHIP Purchase Agreement, if the SHIP Closing shall have occurred prior to the Closing Date;

- (aa) the Store Cash;
- (bb) to the extent permitted by Law, all licenses or permits granted by any Governmental Authority held by Sellers that are necessary for the provision or assumption of the PA Liabilities; and
- (cc) any proceeds from the sale or other disposition of the collateral pledged to secure the applicable debt obligations with respect to the credit bids set forth in Section 3.1(b) to which the holders of Claims secured by such collateral has attached.
- Section 2.2 <u>Excluded Assets</u>. Nothing contained herein shall be deemed to sell, transfer, assign, convey or deliver, or cause to be sold, transferred, assigned, conveyed or delivered, any right, title or interest of Sellers in, to or under the Excluded Assets. "<u>Excluded</u> Assets" shall mean:
 - (a) any Contract that is not an Assigned Agreement;
- (b) any lease, sublease or similar agreement that is not a Lease and any Designatable Lease that is not designated for assumption by the Seller and assignment to Buyer pursuant to the terms of this Agreement;
- (c) any real property interest of any kind or nature that is not Related to Owned Real Property or the Assigned Leases;
 - (d) all Excluded Inventory, all Excluded Equipment and all Excluded Improvements;
 - (e) this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents;
- (f) except as otherwise expressly included as Acquired Assets, all cash and cash equivalents (including any cash of the Sellers in the registers or otherwise held at any Operating Lease Property or any Operating Owned Property in excess of Store Cash), including checks, commercial paper, treasury bills, certificates of deposit and other bank deposits;
 - (g) the Retained Books and Records;
- (h) any interest in or right to any refund, rebate or credit of Excluded Asset-Reorganization Taxes (including, for the avoidance of doubt, with respect to any Taxes for which Sellers remain liable); provided, however, that if Buyer makes the election under Section 2.12(b) to treat all the transactions described in this Article II as Designated Sale Transactions (resulting in no transfer of Sellers' Tax attributes to Buyer), then this Section 2.2(h) shall also include any interest in or right to any refund, rebate or credit of Excluded Asset-Sale Taxes;
- (i) all Claims and Proceedings of Sellers (other than Claims described in Section 2.1(p));

- (j) all Avoidance Actions;
- (k) the Excluded IT;
- (1) except as otherwise expressly included as Acquired Assets, all shares of capital stock or other equity interests of any Seller or Subsidiary of the Seller or securities convertible into or exchangeable or exercisable for shares of capital stock or other equity interests of any Seller, Subsidiary of the Seller or any other Person;
- (m) all Employee Plans, including any assets, trust agreements or other funding Contracts related thereto;
 - (n) all bank accounts;
 - (o) any accounts receivable other than the Acquired Receivables;
- (p) if the SHIP Purchase Agreement shall have terminated prior to the Closing Date, all rights of any Seller to (i) the Deposit Escrow Amount (as defined in the SHIP Purchase Agreement) or (ii) any other claims against Buyer (as defined in the SHIP Purchase Agreement); and
- (q) the SHIP Asset Purchase Agreement Assets (if the SHIP Closing shall have occurred prior to the Closing Date).
- Section 2.3 <u>Assumption of Liabilities</u>. Upon the terms and subject to the conditions of this Agreement, on the Closing Date Buyer, or the applicable Assignee, shall assume, effective as of the Closing, and shall timely perform and discharge in accordance with their respective terms, the following Liabilities (collectively, the "<u>Assumed Liabilities</u>"):
- (a) all Liabilities of the Seller or any of its Subsidiaries arising out of the ownership of the Acquired Assets or operation of the Business or the Acquired Assets on or after the Closing Date that are Related to any Acquired Asset;
- (b) all Liabilities arising on or after the Closing Date or Designation Assignment Date, as applicable, relating to the payment or performance of obligations with respect to the Assigned Agreements;
- (c) all Liabilities arising on or after the Closing Date from or related to any Claim, Action, arbitration, audit, hearing, investigation, suit, litigation or other proceeding (whether civil, criminal, administrative, investigative, or informal and whether pending or threatened or having any other status) arising out of the Assumed Liabilities, the Acquired Assets or the operation of the Business on or after the Closing Date (but not prior to the Closing Date) or relating to facts, actions, omissions, circumstances or conditions existing, occurring or accruing on or after the Closing Date (but not prior to the Closing Date) that are Related to the Acquired Assets or the Assumed Liabilities;
 - (d) Buyer's obligation to pay the Buyer Occupancy Costs;

- (e) subject to <u>Section 2.8(e)</u>, all Liabilities for warranties and protection agreements or other services contracts (other than warranties relating to Intellectual Property) for the goods and services of Sellers sold or performed prior to the Closing, including any Liabilities owed by Sears Re to any Seller in respect of reinsurance of such warranties and protection agreements (the "<u>PA Liabilities</u>");
 - (f) all Assumed Customer Credits;
 - (g) all Cure Costs solely with respect to the Assigned Agreements;
 - (h) all Excluded Asset-Sale Taxes (except if otherwise provided in Section 2.4(i));
- (i) all Liabilities resulting from actions or inactions taken by the Sellers or any Affiliate of Sellers in compliance with <u>Section 9.2</u>;
- (j) all Liabilities with respect to the Transferred Employees (i) to the extent arising as a result of an event, action or omission that occurs on or following the Closing or (ii) expressly assumed by Buyer and its Subsidiaries pursuant to Section 9.7;
- (k) the Severance Reimbursement Obligations, Assumed 503(b)(9) Liabilities, Other Payables and all payment obligations with respect to the Ordered Inventory; provided, that:
 - (i) Buyer shall not be required to make any payments with respect to the Other Payables until the later of (1) the Closing Date and (2) the date that the applicable obligation thereunder becomes due in the Ordinary Course of Business;
 - (ii) Buyer shall not be required to make any payments with respect to Assumed 503(b)(9) Liabilities until the earlier of (1) the date that is 120 days following the Closing Date and (2) the date on which a chapter 11 plan of reorganization is confirmed by the Bankruptcy Court with respect to the Debtors;
 - (iii) Buyer's obligations with respect to the Severance Reimbursement Obligations shall not exceed \$43,000,000 in the aggregate, and notwithstanding Section 2.3(k)(i), the timing of such reimbursement shall be made in accordance with Section 9.7(i);
 - (iv) Buyer's obligations with respect to the Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims shall not exceed \$139,000,000 in the aggregate;
 - (v) Buyer's obligations with respect to the Other Payables shall not exceed \$166,000,000 in the aggregate;
 - (vi) In the event that the Aggregate DIP Shortfall Amount is a positive number, Buyer's obligations to assume the Liabilities described in this clause (k) shall be reduced dollar for dollar by the Aggregate DIP Shortfall Amount in the following order, until the aggregate amount of all such reductions is equal to the Aggregate DIP Shortfall Amount: first, the Severance Reimbursement Obligations, second, the Other Payables and third, the

Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims. The allocation of any reduction determined in accordance with the previous sentence of (A) the amount of the Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims among any specific Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims and (B) the amount of the Other Payables among any specific Other Payables shall be determined by Buyer in its sole discretion;

- (vii) In the event that the Specified Receivables Shortfall Amount is a positive number, Buyer's obligations to assume the Severance Reimbursement Obligations and the Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims shall be reduced dollar for dollar by the Specified Receivables Shortfall Amount in the following order, until the aggregate amount of all such reductions is equal to the Specified Receivables Shortfall Amount: *first*, the Severance Reimbursement Obligations and *second*, the Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims. The allocation of any reduction determined in accordance with the previous sentence of the amount of the Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims among any specific Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims shall be determined by Buyer in its sole discretion;
- (viii) In the event that the Warranty Receivables Shortfall Amount is a positive number, Buyer's obligations to assume the Severance Reimbursement Obligations and the Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims shall be reduced dollar for dollar by the Warranty Receivables Shortfall Amount in the following order, until the aggregate amount of all such reductions is equal to the Warranty Receivables Shortfall Amount: *first*, the Severance Reimbursement Obligations and *second*, the Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims. The allocation of any reduction determined in accordance with the previous sentence of the amount of the Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims among any specific Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims shall be determined by Buyer in its sole discretion;
- (ix) In the event that the Prepaid Inventory Shortfall Amount is a positive number, Buyer's obligations to assume the Severance Reimbursement Obligations and the Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims shall be reduced dollar for dollar by the Prepaid Inventory Shortfall Amount in the following order, until the aggregate amount of all such reductions is equal to the Prepaid Inventory Shortfall Amount: *first*, the Severance Reimbursement Obligations and *second*, the Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims. The allocation of any reduction determined in accordance with the previous sentence of the amount of the Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims among any specific Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims shall be determined by Buyer in its sole discretion; and
- (x) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein or in the Approval Order, and for the avoidance of doubt, the Buyer's agreement to pay Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims, Specified Payables, or any other administrative or priority claim of the Sellers pursuant to the terms hereof is a general unsecured contractual obligation of the Buyer owed solely to the Sellers.
- (1) the Assumed Property Tax Liabilities;
- (m) the SHIP Purchase Agreement Liabilities (if the SHIP Closing shall not have occurred prior to the Closing Date);

- (n) all Liabilities relating to amounts required to be paid by Buyer under the Transaction Documents; and
- (o) all Liabilities arising prior to, at or after the Closing Date under or pursuant to any Environmental Law relating to the presence of Hazardous Substances at, on, in, under or migrating to or from any Acquired Asset.
- Section 2.4 <u>Excluded Liabilities</u>. None of Buyer, any Affiliate of Buyer or any Assignee shall assume, be deemed to assume or become obligated hereunder in any way to pay or perform (whether as a successor to any Seller or otherwise) any Liabilities of any Sellers or any of their respective Affiliates of any kind or nature, known, unknown, contingent or otherwise, whether direct or indirect, matured or unmatured, other than the Assumed Liabilities, (the foregoing including the following, the "<u>Excluded Liabilities</u>") which shall include the following Liabilities:
- (a) all Liabilities of the Seller or any of its Subsidiaries arising out of the ownership of the Acquired Assets or operation of the Business or the Acquired Assets prior to the Closing Date other than Cure Costs, Other Payables, the Assumed 503(b)(9) Claims, Severance Reimbursement Obligations, and Ordered Inventory;
- (b) all Liabilities relating to the payment or performance of obligations arising solely out of facts or circumstances in existence prior to the Closing Date or Designation Assignment Date, as applicable, with respect to the Assigned Agreements;
- (c) all Liabilities arising from or related to any claim, Action, arbitration, audit, hearing, investigation, suit, litigation or other proceeding (whether civil, criminal, administrative, investigative, or informal and whether pending or threatened or having any other status) arising out of the Assumed Liabilities, the Acquired Assets or the operation of the Business prior to the Closing Date or relating to facts, actions, omissions, circumstances or conditions existing, occurring or accruing prior to the Closing Date against any Seller or its Affiliates;
- (d) all Liabilities to the extent arising prior to the Closing Date or arising from or related to the operation of a Seller's business or any of Sellers' products or services, including any Liability relating to (i) design or manufacturing defects (whenever discovered) and (ii) warranties, product liability, safety or other Liability, in the cases of clauses (i) and (ii), relating to any product sold or manufactured by any Seller or any of its Affiliates;
- (e) all Liabilities in respect of any indebtedness of any Seller or guaranty obligations relating to any such Indebtedness of any Seller;
- (f) all Liabilities (i) under the Employee Plans, including all Liabilities in respect of (A) any compensation earned by any Business Employee or otherwise accrued or payable to or with respect to any Business Employee prior to the Closing, unless expressly assumed by Buyer pursuant to Section 9.7, and (B) any Taxes related thereto, (ii) relating to (A) all current and former employees of Seller and Service Providers and its Subsidiaries (including the Business Employees) to the extent arising as a result of an event, action or omission that occurs prior to the Closing and (B) all current and former employees of Seller and Service Providers and its Subsidiaries who do

not become Transferred Employees (except to the extent subject to the Severance Reimbursement Obligations) and (iii) those Liabilities relating to the Transferred Employees expressly retained by Seller pursuant to Section 9.7;

- (g) except as otherwise provided for in Section 2.3(o), all Liabilities of the Seller or any of its Subsidiaries relating to (i) fines or penalties arising from noncompliance with Environmental Laws occurring prior to the Closing Date, including (ii) Claims for personal injury or property damage related to exposure occurring prior to the Closing Date to Hazardous Substances present at, on, in, under or migrating to or from any Acquired Asset or (iii) the offsite disposal of Hazardous Substances occurring prior to the Closing Date;
 - (h) any Excluded Asset-Reorganization Taxes;
- if (A) Buyer makes the election under Section 2.12(b) to treat all the transactions described in this Article II as Designated Sale Transactions (resulting in no transfer of Sellers' Tax attributes to Buyer), (B) such transactions do not result in a transfer of substantially all of Sellers' Tax attributes to Buyer solely as a result of Sellers' failure to make good faith efforts to comply with Section 9.2(a), or (C) the Internal Revenue Service successfully asserts (for which assertion there is a final determination), that none of Sellers' Tax attributes transferred to Buyer, Excluded Asset-Sale Taxes (but in the case of clause (C) in respect of a Tax arising in any period prior to any such final determination, only to the extent Sellers actually obtain a refund or other current economic Tax reduction in respect of the applicable Taxes); provided, however, that if Buyer makes the election under Section 2.12(b) to treat all the transactions described in this Article II as Designated Sale Transactions and the Internal Revenue Service successfully asserts that a transfer of any such Tax attributes to Buyer shall have occurred notwithstanding such Buyer election, then Excluded Asset-Sale Taxes shall not be an Excluded Liability to the extent any such tax would have been reduced or eliminated had the Sellers' Tax attributes not transferred to Buyer (taking into account Tax attributes Sellers would have had if all transactions described in Article II were Designated Sale Transactions and respected as such by the Internal Revenue Service);
- (j) all Liabilities with respect to any brokerage or finders' fees or agents' commissions or other similar payment in connection with the Transactions incurred by any Seller;
- (k) all Liabilities under this Agreement or any documents or instruments executed and delivered by Seller and its Affiliates pursuant to this Agreement;
- (l) all Liabilities relating to or arising, whether before, on or after the Closing Date or, subject to <u>Article V</u>, any applicable Designation Assignment Date, out of, or in connection with, the Excluded Assets;
- (m) all Liabilities in respect of any gift cards, gift certificates, merchandise credits, return credits, customer membership or customer loyalty discount programs, coupons, groupons or other similar credits or programs issued by, on behalf of or in relation to Sellers other than the Assumed Customer Credits;

- (n) all Liabilities related to or arising from, whether before, on or after the Closing Date, use by Sellers of any of the Trademarks or Business Names included in the Acquired Intellectual Property pursuant to Section 9.10;
- (o) except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, all Liabilities for the rejection of any Contract to which a Seller is a party;
- (p) the SHIP Purchase Agreement Liabilities (if the SHIP Closing shall have occurred prior to the Closing Date);
- (q) other than the liabilities assumed in accordance with Section 2.3(g) (Cure Costs) and 2.3(k) (Severance Reimbursement Obligations, Assumed 503(b)(9) Liabilities and Other Payables and the payment obligations with respect to the Ordered Inventory), accounts payable incurred in the Ordinary Course of Business existing on the Closing Date (including (i) invoiced amounts payable and (ii) accrued but uninvoiced accounts payable); and
 - (r) the claims underlying the mechanics' liens identified in Section 2 of Schedule 6.5.

For the avoidance of doubt, all Taxes of any Seller shall be Assumed Liabilities, regardless of the time and circumstances giving rise to any such Taxes, except for any Tax expressly excluded under Section 2.2(h) or Section 2.4(i).

- Section 2.5 Year-End Adjustments. For the avoidance of doubt, notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in this Agreement, neither Buyer nor any Assignee shall have any obligations in respect of any portion of any year-end (or other) adjustment (including for royalties, rents, utilities, Taxes, insurance, fees, any common area or other maintenance charges, promotional funds and percentage rent) arising under any of the Acquired Leases or any other Assigned Agreements for the calendar year in which the applicable Lease Assignment occurs that is attributable to (x) the portion of such calendar year occurring prior to such Lease Assignment or (y) any previous calendar year, and Sellers shall fully indemnify and hold harmless Buyer and the applicable Assignee with respect thereto. Buyer shall be solely responsible for any of the matters described in the preceding sentence for the portion of the calendar year in which the Closing Date occurs following each applicable Lease Assignment and all subsequent calendar years, and Buyer shall fully indemnify and hold Sellers harmless with respect thereto. Following the applicable Lease Assignment Date, except as expressly set forth in this Agreement or the Approval Order, Sellers shall have no further liabilities or obligations with respect to each of the Acquired Leases and the other Assigned Agreements (including obligations related to royalties rents, utilities, Taxes, insurance and common area maintenance, regardless of when due and payable), and Sellers shall be released from all such obligations and Buyer shall indemnify and hold harmless Sellers with respect thereto.
- Section 2.6 <u>Purchase and Sale of Designation Rights</u>. Upon the terms and subject to the conditions of this Agreement and the Approval Order, on the Closing Date, Sellers shall sell, transfer, assign and convey, or cause to be sold, transferred, assigned and conveyed, to Buyer, and Buyer shall purchase from Sellers, the Designation Rights. For the avoidance of doubt, the sale, transfer, assignment and conveyance of the Designation Rights provided for herein on the Closing

Date shall not effectuate a sale, transfer, assignment or conveyance of any Designatable Lease to Buyer or any other Assignee, which shall only be effectuated on a Designation Assignment Date; provided, that, notwithstanding the foregoing, Buyer shall be responsible for all Expenses arising under or related to any Designatable Lease from and after the Closing Date until, if applicable, the rejection of such Designatable Lease in accordance with this Agreement. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, the Approval Order and the requirements of section 365(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, Buyer shall have the right to designate itself or, with the consent of Seller, any other Person as the Assignee to which a Designatable Lease is to be assumed and assigned. The Designation Rights shall terminate upon the expiration of the Designation Rights Period.

Section 2.7 <u>Assignments</u>.

(a) Potential Transferred Agreements.

- (i) Schedule 2.7(a) contains a list of all Potential Transferred Agreements (including, to the extent in the possession or control of any Seller, the underlying agreements). Subject to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, Buyer may elect to have the Potential Transferred Agreements assigned to Buyer or assumed by Seller and assigned to Buyer on the applicable Assumption Effective Date (which shall be deemed to be "Assigned Agreements" in accordance with the definition thereof). At Buyer's reasonable request, Seller shall make reasonably available to Buyer the appropriate employees of Seller necessary to discuss the Potential Transferred Agreements.
- (ii) To the extent a Potential Transferred Agreement is an executory contract or lease, as soon as practicable after the date hereof, Seller shall file a notice of assignment and assumption (an "Agreement Assignment Notice") with the Bankruptcy Court and serve such notice via electronic or first class mail on each counterparty to a Potential Transferred Agreement that is an executory contract or lease, consistent with the terms of the Bidding Procedures Order. The Agreement Assignment Notice shall identify all Potential Transferred Agreements that are executory contracts or leases and related to the Acquired Assets that Sellers believe may be assigned or assumed and assigned in connection with the sale of the Acquired Assets and set forth a good faith estimate of the amount of the Cure Costs applicable to each such Contract (and if no Cure Cost is estimated to be applicable with respect to any particular Contract, the amount of such Cure Cost designated for such Contract shall be "\$0.00").

(b) <u>Initial Assigned Agreements.</u>

(i) As soon as practicable after delivery of the list of Potential Transferred Agreements by the Seller but no later than five (5) Business Days following such delivery, Buyer shall deliver to the Seller a list of those Potential Transferred Agreements proposed to be assigned to Buyer or assumed by Seller and assigned to Buyer on the Closing Date (the Contracts on such list, the "Initial Assigned Contracts", the Leases on such list (including, to the extent applicable to such Leases, all non-disturbance agreements with fee owners or senior landlords, subordination, non-disturbance and attornment agreements, waivers and consents in favor of any Seller, estoppel certificates from landlords (to the

extent assignable), and landlord waivers or other collateral access agreements in favor of any Seller or any asset-based lenders) the "<u>Initial Assigned Leases</u>", and together the "Initial Assigned Agreements").

- Following delivery of the list of Initial Assigned Agreements and to the extent consistent with the Bidding Procedures Order, at any time prior to the second (2nd) Business Day prior to the Closing Date, Buyer will be entitled, after consultation with the Sellers, to add (x) any Initial Assigned Agreement to the list of Excluded Assets by providing written notice thereof to Sellers, and any Initial Assigned Agreement so added will cease to be an Initial Assigned Agreement and will be deemed to be an Excluded Asset (and all Liabilities thereunder Excluded Liabilities) for all purposes hereunder or (y) any Potential Transferred Agreement to the list of Initial Assigned Agreements so long as (1) it is not a Contract to be assumed or available to be assumed pursuant to any other sale previously approved by the Bankruptcy Court in connection with the Bankruptcy Cases; and (2) it is prior to the entry of a Final Order of the Bankruptcy Court approving the rejection of such Contract, in each case subject to the non-Debtor party to such Contract receiving information evidencing Buyer's adequate assurance of future performance and having an opportunity to object consistent with the Bidding Procedures Order and the Approval Order. No change referred to in this Section 2.7(b)(i) shall reduce or increase the amount of the Purchase Price, except to the extent of any increase or decrease in the assumption of the Assumed Liabilities, including Cure Costs, as a result of the Potential Transferred Agreements being added to or removed from the list of Acquired Leases or Assigned Agreements by Buyer.
- (iii) On the Closing Date, pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code and the Approval Order, and subject to consent if applicable Law requires it, Sellers shall assume and assign to Buyer the Initial Assigned Agreements and Buyer shall pay all Cure Costs with respect to such Initial Assigned Agreements to the appropriate counterparty or establish a reserve for disputed cure amounts in accordance with the Bidding Procedures Order and Approval Order.
- (c) <u>Designatable Leases</u>. On each Assumption Effective Date, pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code and the Approval Order, Sellers shall assume and assign to the applicable Assignee any Designatable Lease so designated by Buyer for assumption and assignment in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, and Buyer shall pay all or be responsible for Cure Costs with respect to such Designatable Leases.
- (d) <u>Additional Contracts</u>. On each applicable Assumption Effective Date, and in no event later than the date that is five (5) Business Days following the Designation Deadline, pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, the Approval Order, and any other applicable Order, Sellers shall assume and assign to the applicable Assignee any Additional Contract that Buyer designates for assumption and assignment in accordance with <u>Section 2.9</u>, and Buyer shall pay all Cure Costs with respect to such Additional Contract and all Expenses related to or arising under such Additional Contract after the Closing Date.

(e) Adequate Assurance and Consents. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, Sellers shall not be obligated to assume and assign any Lease or Contract pursuant to this Section 2.7 with respect to which Buyer fails to satisfy the Bankruptcy Court as to adequate assurance of future performance or for which Consent is required to assume and assign such Lease or Contract and such Consent has not been obtained; provided, however, that the Parties shall use their commercially reasonable best efforts to obtain all such Consents.

Section 2.8 Further Assurances.

- (a) On and after the Closing Date, each of the Sellers and Buyer shall use its commercially reasonable efforts to further give full effect to, evidence and record the assignments, waivers, ratifications, consents and agreements granted herein, and, Sellers shall, upon Buyer's request, assist Buyer in a commercially reasonable way to obtain, maintain, enforce and defend any rights specified to be owned by or assigned to a Seller, including by testifying in any legal Proceedings, executing all lawful papers and making all rightful oaths required or necessary to aid Buyer or its successors or assigns in obtaining and enforcing its right, title and interest in, to and under the Acquired Assets, including in connection with the IP Assignment Agreement and the Short Form Assignments and in complying with all requirements of the applicable social media sites and Domain Name registrars.
- On each Designation Assignment Date, Seller shall, upon the request of Buyer or the applicable Assignee, execute and deliver to such Assignee such instruments of transfer as shall be reasonably necessary or desirable to vest in such Assignee title to the applicable Designatable Leases and related Acquired Lease Rights, Acquired Improvements and all other related Acquired Assets required hereunder to be transferred on such Designation Assignment Date (and evidence the assumption by Seller, and the assignment by Seller to the applicable Assignee, of such Designatable Leases), and Seller, on the one hand, and such Assignee, on the other hand, shall (and Buyer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause each Assignee to) take (or cause to be taken) all appropriate action, do (or cause to be done) all things necessary under applicable Law, and execute and deliver such instruments and documents, in each case as may be reasonably requested and reasonably necessary or desirable to consummate the Transactions at or after the Designation Assignment Date. In furtherance and not in limitation of the foregoing, in the event that any of the Acquired Assets shall not have been conveyed at Closing or on the applicable Designation Assignment Date, as applicable, Seller shall convey such Acquired Assets to Buyer or such Assignee, as applicable, as promptly as practicable after the Closing or on the applicable Designation Assignment Date, as applicable. As promptly as practicable following the date on which Buyer is permitted to receive Customer Data constituting "personally identifiable information" (as defined in the Bankruptcy Code) that was not transferred on the Closing Date, Seller shall deliver to Buyer a copy of the Customer Data constituting Acquired Data to an extent and in a format mutually agreeable to Seller and Buyer that is readable, useable, indexed and searchable and, if any portion of such Customer Data is encrypted, the necessary decryption tools and keys to read such materials contemporaneously.
- (c) Not later than ten (10) days prior to the Closing Date, Sellers shall instruct all of Sellers' outside counsel responsible to maintaining, prosecuting or renewing any of the Acquired Intellectual Property (i) that the ownership of the Acquired Intellectual Property will be assigned

to Buyer as of the Closing Date, (ii) to keep all Acquired Intellectual Property (as relevant to such counsel) in full force and effect, including by filing and documentation and paying any fees required therefor, (iii) to release to Buyer or counsel designated by Buyer at locations to be designated by Buyer copies of all the tangible embodiments of the Intellectual Property Related Documentation existing as of the Closing Date and in such counsel's possession, and (iv) that Buyer or counsel designated by Buyer may contact such Sellers' counsel for coordination relative to further prosecution of the Acquired Intellectual Property at Buyer's expense (such correspondence, "Seller Instructions"). Sellers shall also include in the Seller Instructions any other information that Buyer reasonably instructs Sellers to include that is communicated to Sellers prior to the Closing Date.

- (d) If after the Closing (i) Buyer or any of its Affiliates holds or is otherwise liable for any Excluded Assets or Excluded Liabilities or (ii) any Seller or any of their respective Affiliates holds any Acquired Assets or Assumed Liabilities, Buyer or the applicable Seller will, and will cause their respective controlled Affiliates to, and will use commercially reasonable efforts to cause their other Affiliates to, (including through the execution and delivery of all appropriate transfer documents) promptly transfer (or cause to be transferred) such Assets or assume, pay or reimburse (or cause to be assumed, paid or reimbursed) such Liabilities to or from (as the case may be) the other party for no additional consideration. Prior to any such transfer, the party receiving or possessing any such asset will hold it in trust for such other party.
- (e) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, Seller shall not transfer the KCD Notes to Buyer, and Buyer shall not assume the PA Liabilities from Seller, unless and until Seller has received the requisite consent of the Bermuda Monetary Authority or any other applicable Bermuda regulatory authority to the transfer of the KCD Notes (the "BMA Consent"). Immediately following receipt of the BMA Consent, the transfer of the KCD Notes and the assumption of the PA Liabilities shall take place simultaneously. From the Closing Date until such time as the transfer of the KCD Notes and the assumption of the PA Liabilities occurs, pursuant to a services agreement to be in a form reasonably agreed to by Sellers and Buyer (the "PA Liabilities Services Agreement"), (i) Buyer shall provide services to the applicable Sellers sufficient to enable Sellers to perform the PA Liabilities and (ii) in consideration for such services, Sellers shall pay to Buyer an amount equal to the aggregate of all amounts paid by Buyer to Sellers with respect to any licenses under which Buyer licenses the KCD IP.
- Section 2.9 Additional Contracts. If, at any time prior to the date that is sixty (60) days after the Closing Date, but in no event later than May 3, 2019 (the "Designation Deadline"), Buyer so determines as to any Contract that is Related to the Acquired Assets or is an IP License, in each case but is not an Initial Assigned Contract (other than (i) any lease of non-residential real property and (ii) any Excluded Asset set forth in Section 2.2) (each, an "Additional Contract"), Buyer may elect, after consultation with the Sellers, by written notice delivered to Sellers, to designate for assignment or assumption and assignment any Additional Contract for no additional consideration. Upon the designation of any such Additional Contract as an Assigned Agreement pursuant to this Section 2.9, Sellers will use their reasonable best efforts to assume and assign to the applicable Assignee such Additional Contract so long as the Buyer pays all Expenses accrued post-Closing and all Cure Costs associated with such Additional Contract; provided, however, that nothing herein shall be deemed or construed to obligate Sellers to retain, or refrain from rejecting or

terminating any Lease or Contract after the Designation Deadline that does not constitute an Assigned Agreement. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, Sellers shall not be obligated to assume and assign any Contract pursuant to this Section 2.9 with respect to which Buyer fails to satisfy the Bankruptcy Court as to adequate assurance of future performance or for which Consent is required to assume and assign such Additional Contract and such Consent has not been obtained, provide that the Parties shall use their reasonable best efforts to obtain all such Consents.

Section 2.10 <u>Withholding</u>. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, Buyer shall be entitled to deduct and withhold from any amounts otherwise payable pursuant to this Agreement but only to the extent of such amounts as may be required to be deducted and withheld by Buyer with respect to the making of such payments under applicable U.S. federal, state or local or foreign laws, and any such withheld amount shall be properly paid by Buyer to the appropriate Governmental Authority. To the extent that amounts are so deducted and withheld and properly paid to the appropriate Governmental Authority, such deducted and withheld amounts shall be treated for all purposes of this Agreement as having been paid to Sellers or any other Person in respect of which such deduction and withholding was made.

Section 2.11 Rejection of Outbound IP Licenses. Prior to the Closing Date, subject to section 365(n) of the Bankruptcy Code, Sellers shall file a motion to reject, and take all actions (including actions required under section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code) reasonably necessary to reject any Outbound IP Licenses included in the Potential Transferred Agreements that (i) are executory Contracts and (ii) are not designated by Buyer for assignment or assumption and assignment as an Assigned Agreement in accordance with the terms of this Agreement or for solely assumption pursuant to Section 9.14(d). Without limiting the foregoing, promptly following the Designation Deadline, Sellers shall file a motion to reject, and take all actions (including actions required under section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code) reasonably necessary to reject, any Outbound IP Licenses that (x) are not included in the Potential Transferred Agreements, (y) are executory Contracts and (z) are not designated by Buyer for assignment or assumption and assignment as an Assigned Agreement in accordance with the terms of this Agreement or for solely assumption pursuant to Section 9.14(d).

Section 2.12 Tax Reorganization.

- (a) The Parties intend that the transactions set forth in this Agreement, as structured and implemented as described in Section 9.2(a), together with the Bankruptcy Plan (as defined below), will, unless and except to the extent that Buyer elects otherwise with respect to a particular Seller or Sellers pursuant to Section 2.12(b), (i) constitute one or more plans of reorganization under section 368(a) of the Code (as defined below) and (ii) as qualifying as one or more reorganizations thereunder (a "Tax Reorganization").
- (b) Buyer may, at any time on or before the earlier of (i) 15 days prior to the effective date of the Bankruptcy Plan and (ii) December 1, 2019, elect, by providing to Sellers written notice of its election, to treat one or more of the transactions (each, a "<u>Designated Sale Transaction</u>") set forth in this Agreement as not qualifying as a Tax Reorganization, which election shall be effective unless Designated Tax Advisor cannot provide a Tax Opinion that such Designated Sale

Transaction can be completed in a manner that would not be treated as a "reorganization" within the meaning of section 368 of the Code; provided, however, that in connection with any such Buyer election to treat all the transactions described in this Article II as Designated Sale Transactions (resulting in no transfer of Sellers' Tax attributes to Buyer), the Parties shall, if requested by Sellers in writing, identify a business of the Sellers that would become part of the Excluded Assets and consider in good faith any other changes to the structure of the transaction that are reasonable and necessary as a commercial, bankruptcy law and other legal matter to achieve that result. If Buyer does not elect pursuant to this Section 2.12(b) to treat all the transactions described in this Article II as Designated Sale Transactions (resulting in no transfer of Sellers' Tax attributes to Buyer), or any such election is not effective, then Buyer and Sellers shall continue to comply with Section 9.2(a).

Each Tax Opinion shall be based on representations reasonably requested by (c) Designated Tax Advisor to be provided by each of Buyer and Sellers in the form of a representation letter, and each such representation must continue to be true and accurate in all material respects as of immediately before such Tax Opinion is issued. To the extent requested by Designated Tax Advisor, each of Sellers and Buyer shall confirm to Designated Tax Advisor the accuracy and completeness, as of immediately before such Tax Opinion is issued, of the applicable representation letter. For the avoidance of doubt, and notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in this Agreement, (i) reliance by Sellers on any Tax Opinion requested or otherwise required pursuant to this Agreement shall not affect Buyer's liability for Taxes that are Assumed Liabilities and (ii) the inability or failure to deliver or receive any Tax Opinion requested or otherwise required pursuant to this Agreement shall not delay or in any way interfere with the consummation and closing of the Transactions. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in this Agreement, any transaction or transactions (including any transaction described in clause (B) of Section 9.2(a)) in respect of which any Tax Opinion is not or cannot be delivered as otherwise required under this Agreement (other than a Tax Opinion described in Section 2.12(b)) shall be deemed to be a Designated Sale Transaction.

Section 2.13 Foreign Assets.

(a) On the Closing Date, Sellers shall use reasonable best efforts to cause each of the Foreign Subsidiaries to sell, transfer, assign, convey and deliver, or cause to be sold, transferred assigned, conveyed and delivered to Buyer or the applicable Assignee, and Buyer or such applicable Assignee shall use reasonable best efforts to purchase, all right, title and interest of each of the Foreign Subsidiaries, in, to or under all assets, properties and rights Related to the Business other than the Excluded Assets and any other assets of the type that would have been Acquired Assets had they had been owned by Sellers as of the Closing Date or any minority equity interests held by the Foreign Subsidiaries (collectively, the "Acquired Foreign Assets"), in each case free and clear of any and all Encumbrances of any kind, nature or description and any Claims, other than Permitted Post-Closing Encumbrances. If the transfer of any Acquired Foreign Assets does not occur at the Closing Date, Seller and Buyer shall use reasonable best efforts to complete such transfer as promptly as practicable following the Closing Date and shall enter into such agreements as may be reasonably required to provide Buyer or the applicable Assignee the benefit of such assets until such transfer is consummated.

- (b) If, at any time prior to the date that is sixty (60) days after the Closing Date, but in no event later than May 3, 2019, Buyer determines (in its sole discretion) that it is necessary or desirable to acquire other minority equity interests in non-U.S. Persons held by Subsidiaries of Seller (other than any Subsidiary who is a Seller) so as to ensure that Buyer or the applicable Assignee shall be able to secure the benefit of the applicable Acquired Foreign Assets, Buyer may elect, by written notice delivered to Sellers, to acquire such equity interests directly from Seller. Following any such election, Buyer and Seller shall promptly execute all documentation required to effectuate the purchase and sale of such equity interests under applicable Law.
- (c) No purchase of Acquired Foreign Assets or equity interests pursuant to this <u>Section 2.13</u> shall require the delivery of any additional consideration by Buyer; <u>provided</u>, that to the extent required by applicable Law (including, for the avoidance of doubt, Tax Law), Buyer and Seller shall in accordance with <u>Section 9.3(d)</u> either (i) allocate a portion of the Purchase Price to the purchase of such equity interests or (ii) provide for nominal consideration to be paid by Buyer to Sellers in an amount no greater than the minimum amount required by applicable Law.
- Section 2.14 <u>Bulk Transfer Law</u>. The Parties intend that pursuant to Section 363(f) of the Bankruptcy Code, the transfer of the Acquired Assets shall be free and clear of any security interests in the Acquired Assets, including any liens or claims arising out of the bulk transfer Laws. In furtherance of the foregoing, each Party hereby waives, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable Law, compliance by the Parties with the "bulk sales," "bulk transfers" or similar Laws in all applicable jurisdictions in respect of the Transactions (including under any applicable Tax Laws).

ARTICLE III

PURCHASE PRICE

- Section 3.1 <u>Purchase Price</u>. The aggregate purchase price for the purchase, sale, assignment and conveyance of Sellers' right, title and interest in, to and under the Acquired Assets shall consist of the following (collectively, the "<u>Purchase Price</u>"):
 - (a) cash in an amount (the "Closing Payment Amount") equal to:
 - (i) \$1,408,450,000; plus
 - (ii) an amount in cash equal to the Store Cash as of 12:00 a.m. New York City time on the Closing Date; *plus*
 - (iii) the Credit Bid Release Consideration; less
 - (iv) the aggregate amount of (A) the credit bid set forth in Section 3.1(b)(ii) plus (B) the credit bid set forth in Section 3.1(b)(iv), plus (C) the FILO Facility Buyout Amount (if any);
- (b) subject to Bankruptcy Court approval, a credit bid pursuant to Section 363(k) of the Bankruptcy Code of:

- (i) all outstanding obligations held by Buyer and its Affiliates as of the Closing Date under the IP/Ground Lease Term Loan Facility, *plus*
- (ii) all outstanding obligations held by Buyer and its Affiliates as of the Closing Date under the FILO Facility, *plus*
- (iii) obligations held by Buyer and its Affiliates as of the Closing Date under the Real Estate Loan 2020 in an amount equal to \$544,000,000, plus
- (iv) obligations held by Buyer and its Affiliates as of the Closing Date in an aggregate amount equal to \$433,450,000 under (x) the Second Lien Term Loan; (y) the Second Lien Line of Credit Facility; and (z) the Second Lien PIK Notes,

in the case of each of (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv) in exchange for the collateral pledged to secure the applicable debt obligations, including any proceeds from the sale or other disposition of such collateral prior to the Closing Date to which the Liens securing such debt obligations are attached, in the same order of priority and with the same validity, force and effect as the original Liens; plus

- (c) cash in the amount of the outstanding obligations owed to lenders other than Buyer or its Affiliates as of the Closing Date under (i) the IP/Ground Lease Term Loan Facility (the "IP/Ground Lease Buyout Amount"), (ii) the FILO Facility (the "FILO Facility Buyout Amount"), and (iii) the Real Estate Loan 2020 (the "Real Estate Loan 2020 Buyout Amount"), unless such lender(s) provide written confirmation to the Sellers that such cash payment and the obligations owed to lenders by the Seller under the IP/Ground Lease Term Loan Facility, the FILO Facility or the Real Estate Loan 2020, as applicable, are permanently waived and discharged against the Sellers; *plus*
 - (d) the Securities Consideration;
 - (e) the Junior DIP Consideration;
 - (f) the L/C Facility Consideration; and
 - (g) the assumption by Buyer of the Assumed Liabilities in accordance with Section 3.5.

To the extent payable, the IP/Ground Lease Buyout Amount, the FILO Facility Buyout Amount and the Real Estate Loan 2020 Buyout Amount shall each be deposited and held in separate segregated accounts of the Debtors and the Liens of the lenders other than Buyer or its Affiliates under IP/Ground Lease Term Loan Facility, the FILO Facility or the Real Estate Loan 2020, as applicable, shall attach to the cash proceeds held in the applicable designated segregated account in the same order of priority and with the same validity, force and effect as the original Liens of such lenders, and such proceeds shall be released to such lenders within two business days following the Closing Date and shall not otherwise be used by the Debtors without further order of the Bankruptcy Court.

Section 3.2 <u>Cash Deposit</u>. On or prior to January 9, 2019, Buyer paid an aggregate amount in cash equal to \$120,000,000 (the "<u>Deposit Amount</u>") by wire transfer of immediately

available funds into an escrow account maintained by Citibank, N.A. as Escrow Agent. Buyer's and Sellers' right to retain the Deposit Amount in the event of a termination of this Agreement shall be governed by <u>Section 12.2</u>.

Section 3.3 <u>Closing Payment.</u>

- (a) At the Closing, Buyer shall:
- (i) pay to Sellers by wire transfer of immediately available funds into one or more accounts designated by Sellers an amount in cash equal to the Closing Payment Amount *less* the Deposit Amount *plus* any amounts payable pursuant to Section 3.1(c); and
 - (ii) deliver the Securities Consideration to the Sellers.
- Section 3.4 Reserved.

Section 3.5 <u>Discharge of Assumed Liabilities After Closing</u>. From and after the later of the Closing or the applicable Assumption Effective Date, Buyer shall pay, perform, discharge and satisfy the Assumed Liabilities from time to time and as such Assumed Liabilities become due and payable or are required to be performed, discharged or satisfied, in each case in accordance with their respective terms.

ARTICLE IV

CLOSING

Section 4.1 Closing Date. The closing of the sale, transfer, assignment, conveyance and delivery of the Designation Rights and Sellers' right, title and interest in, to and under the Acquired Assets by Sellers to Buyer contemplated hereby (the "Closing") shall take place at the offices of Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP, 767 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10153, or at such other place or time as Buyer and Sellers may mutually agree, on the third (3rd) Business Day following satisfaction or waiver of the conditions set forth in Article X and Article XI (other than those conditions that by their nature are to be satisfied by actions taken at the Closing, but subject to the satisfaction or waiver of such conditions at the Closing). Notwithstanding the immediately preceding sentence, if the Marketing Period has not ended at the time of the satisfaction or waiver of the conditions set forth in Article X and Article XI (other than those conditions that by their nature are to be satisfied by actions taken at the Closing, but subject to the satisfaction or waiver of such conditions at the Closing), then the Closing shall occur instead on the date that is the earlier to occur of (x) any Business Day as may be specified by Buyer on no less than two (2) Business Days' prior written notice to Sellers and (y) two (2) Business Days following the final day of the Marketing Period. The date and time at which the Closing actually occurs is referred to as the "Closing Date."

Section 4.2 <u>Buyer's Deliveries</u>. At the Closing, Buyer shall deliver to Sellers:

(a) the Closing Payment Amount less the Deposit Amount in accordance with Section 3.3;

- (b) the Securities Consideration;
- (c) the certificates of Buyer to be received by Sellers pursuant to <u>Sections 11.1</u> and <u>11.2</u>;
 - (d) the Occupancy Agreement, duly executed by Buyer;
 - (e) the PA Liabilities Services Agreement, duly executed by Buyer; and
- (f) such assignments and other good and sufficient instruments of assumption and transfer, in form reasonably satisfactory to Sellers and Buyer, which are reasonably requested by Seller to (i) transfer to Buyer all the right, title and interest of Sellers in, to or under the Acquired Assets to be acquired on the Closing Date in accordance with this Agreement and (ii) properly give effect to Buyer's assumption of all of the Assumed Liabilities in accordance with this Agreement.

Section 4.3 <u>Sellers' Deliveries</u>. At the Closing, Sellers shall deliver to Buyer:

- (a) a copy of the Approval Order entered by the Bankruptcy Court;
- (b) the certificates of Sellers to be received by Buyer pursuant to <u>Sections 10.1</u> and <u>10.2</u>;
- (c) a certificate of non-foreign status executed by each Seller (or, if a Seller is a disregarded entity for U.S. federal income Tax purposes, by the Person treated as the owner of such Seller for U.S. federal income Tax purposes) that is a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code, substantially in the form of the sample certification in Treasury Regulations Section 1.1445-2(b)(2)(iv)(B);
 - (d) all items required to be delivered pursuant to Section 9.9;
 - (e) a quit-claim deed to be recorded with respect to the Owned Real Property;
- (f) such assignments and other good and sufficient instruments of assumption and transfer, in form reasonably satisfactory to Sellers and Buyer, which are reasonably requested by Buyer to (i) transfer to Buyer all the right, title and interest of Sellers in, to or under the Acquired Assets to be acquired on the Closing Date in accordance with this Agreement and (ii) properly give effect to Buyer's assumption of all of the Assumed Liabilities in accordance with this Agreement;
 - (g) all Intellectual Property Related Documentation;
- (h) all tangible embodiments of the Acquired Intellectual Property, including all (i) Software object code and source code related thereto, (ii) all materials and documentation (in electronic and editable form, to the extent existing in such form) necessary for the use, modification, manufacture, sale and other exploitation of the Acquired Intellectual Property, to the extent not included in Intellectual Property Related Documentation, (iii) all content made available

on or through any websites and webpages accessed through any Domain Names or Medical Accounts included in the Acquired Intellectual Property and all other audio-visual or written materials (including such archival materials) produced by or on behalf of Sellers, (iv) all Labeling and Marketing Materials and (v) all Product Catalogs and Manuals;

- (i) to the extent the sale and transfer of such data is not in contravention with applicable Law, all Acquired Data in the format in which it exists and, if any portion of such Acquired Data is encrypted, the necessary decryption tools and keys to read such materials contemporaneously;
- (j) a counterpart of the IP Assignment Agreement, duly executed by each applicable Seller;
- (k) unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Parties between signing and Closing, a counterpart of each Short Form Assignment, duly executed by each applicable Seller;
- (l) a counterpart of each IP Power of Attorney, duly executed by each applicable Seller;
 - (m) the Occupancy Agreement, duly executed by the applicable Sellers;
 - (n) the PA Liabilities Services Agreement, duly executed by the applicable Sellers;
- (o) the Payoff Letters (including UCC terminations or authorization to file UCC terminations and other filings); and
- (p) subject to <u>Section 2.8(e)</u>, certificates representing the KCD Notes in proper form for transfer, free and clear of all Liens.
- Section 4.4 <u>Local Sale Agreements</u>. Subject to the terms and conditions hereof, to the extent necessary or desirable to effect the Closing on the terms hereof, Buyer or applicable Assignee and relevant Sellers shall, enter into such agreements or instruments, including a sale agreement and quit-claim deed for the Owned Real Property and bills of sale and/or assignment and assumption agreements, providing for the sale, transfer, assignment or other conveyance to Buyer or applicable Assignee, in accordance with the requirements of applicable local Law.

ARTICLE V

DESIGNATION RIGHTS PERIOD

- Section 5.1 <u>Parties' Respective Obligations Before and During Designation Rights</u> <u>Period.</u>
 - (a) Sellers' Obligations.
 - (i) Sellers shall pay when due any and all Occupancy Expenses with respect to each Lease Premises and the related Lease solely to the extent arising during the period commencing on the Petition Date through, in the case of any Operating Leased Property,

the Closing Date, and in the case of any GOB Leased Store, the end of the GOB Period for such GOB Leased Store, at such times and in such amounts as are required under the terms of the applicable Lease and any other applicable agreement pertaining to such Property. Sellers shall not pay any amount due from Sellers pursuant to any provision of this Agreement using any security deposit associated with any Lease Premises, Lease or other Lease Premises-related agreement or, to the extent so paid prior to Closing, Buyer, as Buyer's sole remedy, will be entitled to a credit against the Purchase Price for any amounts so applied (except that Buyer shall be entitled to invoke other remedies if such credit is not duly applied at Closing).

- (ii) From the date hereof through (A) the Closing Date with respect to each Operating Leased Property and (B) the end of the applicable GOB Period with respect to each GOB Leased Store, Sellers shall use commercially reasonable efforts to maintain and preserve each Lease Premises, each Lease and all related Potential Acquired Assets in a condition substantially similar to their condition as of October 15, 2018, other than reasonable wear and tear, casualty and condemnation (which shall be governed by Section 12.3). During the Designation Rights Period, Sellers shall not without Buyer's consent, and shall not solicit any other Person to, (A) sell, transfer, assign, convey, lease, license, mortgage, pledge or otherwise encumber any Lease Premises, related Lease or related Potential Acquired Asset (other than sales of Inventory by Buyer in accordance with Section 5.1(c), Permitted Encumbrances and any applicable statutory liens (solely to the extent that such Lease or related Potential Acquired Asset will be transferred free and clear of such statutory liens pursuant to the Approval Order)), (B) amend, supplement or modify in any fashion (or terminate or enter into) any Designatable Lease (provided that Sellers shall use reasonable best efforts to comply with instructions from Buyer as to the renewal (or lack of renewal) of each Lease that comes up for renewal), (C) grant or terminate any other interests in any Lease Premises, related Lease or related Potential Acquired Asset (other than sales of Inventory located at such Lease Premises in the Ordinary Course of Business), (D) cancel or compromise any claim or waive or release any right, in each case that is related to any Lease Premises or any related Potential Acquired Assets (for the avoidance of doubt, other than any Excluded Assets), (E) except following receipt of a Buyer Rejection Notice in accordance with Section 5.3, seek or obtain an order approving rejection of a Designatable Lease (which, shall in no way affect Sellers' rights to seek or obtain an order approving rejection in connection with any of Sellers' assets other than the Lease Premises), (F) take any action with respect to Taxes or Tax matters that is not in the Ordinary Course of Business that could reasonably be expected to result in (I) an Encumbrance on any Lease Premises or related Potential Acquired Assets (unless such Lease or related Potential Acquired Asset will be transferred free and clear of such Encumbrances pursuant to the applicable Lease Assignment Order) or (II) an increase in the Tax Liability of Buyer or any of its Affiliates, or (G) enter into any agreement or commitment to take any action prohibited by this Section 5.1(a)(ii).
- (iii) From the date hereof through the end of the Designation Rights Period, Sellers shall continue to make available to Buyer the data room made available to Buyer prior to the date hereof, and Sellers shall use commercially reasonable efforts to post to such data room copies of all material notices received by Sellers with respect to any

Designatable Leases during the Designation Rights Period. From the date hereof through the end of the Designation Rights Period, subject to the terms of the Occupancy Agreement, Sellers shall make available to Buyer reasonable access to the Lease Premises for the Designatable Leases at such times as Buyer or its agents may reasonably request, provided that prior to the Closing Date there is no unreasonable interference with Sellers' use and occupancy.

- (iv) From the date hereof through the (A) Closing with respect to the Initial Assigned Leases and (B) the end of the Designation Rights Period with respect to the Designatable Leases, Sellers shall reasonably cooperate with Buyer at no cost, expense or Liability to Sellers with regard to all negotiations between Buyer and the landlords under the applicable Leases, but Sellers will not be required to enter into any agreements with such landlords or expend any costs in connection with such negotiations (other than any costs that Buyer has agreed in writing to reimburse Seller).
- With respect to the Lease Premises which Leases are Designatable Leases. Sellers shall continue all existing insurance policies with respect to such Lease Premises or policies providing similar coverage to the extent available at commercially reasonable rates during the Designation Rights Period and in all instances shall maintain all insurance required to be maintained under any Lease, and shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause Buyer to be named as a loss payee or additional insured, as applicable, with respect to all such policies, which premiums and other amounts due to such insurance companies to maintain such insurance policies during the Designation Rights Period shall be Occupancy Expenses. Sellers shall (i) hold in escrow all insurance recoveries and all warranty and condemnation proceeds received or receivable after the date hereof with respect to such Lease Premises or such related Leases for events occurring during the Designation Rights Period, and (ii) following the Designation Rights Period shall pay any such recoveries or proceeds to Buyer to the extent relating to any Acquired Lease. In connection with any payment of recoveries or proceeds under this Section 5.1(a)(v), (i) such payment of recoveries or proceeds shall not include any recoveries or proceeds to the extent attributable to lost rents or similar costs applicable to any period prior to the Closing or paid in connection with repair, restoration or replacement during such period, and (ii) to the extent that Buyer has received written notice thereof in reasonable detail not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the end of the Designation Rights Period, such payment of recoveries or proceeds shall be reduced by the amount of (x) all actual and documented. reasonable out of pocket repair costs incurred by Sellers in connection with the repair or restoration of such damage or destruction, (y) all actual and documented, reasonable out of pocket collection costs of Sellers respecting any awards or other proceeds, and (z) any amounts required to be paid (and solely to the extent actually paid) by Sellers or the insurance company to the applicable landlord under the Lease, if applicable, or to such landlord's lender as required pursuant to any of such lender's financing, as applicable. For the avoidance of doubt, the costs of such policies allocable to, in the case of the GOB Leased Stores for the period following the end of the GOB Period for each such GOB Leased Store and in the case of the Owned Leased Stores following the Closing Date, shall be borne by Buyer and shall otherwise be borne by Sellers. During the Designation Rights Period, Sellers shall use commercially reasonable efforts to provide Buyer with notice of

any Casualty / Condemnation Event within three (3) Business Days of the occurrence of such Casualty / Condemnation Event.

- (vi) From the date hereof through the end of the Designation Rights Period, at Buyer's specific written request, and at no cost, expense or Liability to Sellers, Sellers will take such actions as Buyer may reasonably request to cause each landlord under the Designatable Leases to perform such party's covenants, agreements and obligations (including repair and maintenance obligations and obligations to maintain insurance with respect to such Lease Premises and any shopping center or mall in which any such Lease Premises is located) under the respective Designatable Leases.
- (vii) From the date hereof through the Closing Date, Sellers shall perform repairs and maintenance and provide security services at the Properties in substantially the same manner and to the same extent in place as of the date hereof (for the avoidance of doubt, the costs of providing such repairs, maintenance and security services prior to the Closing Date shall be borne by Sellers.
- (viii) From the date hereof through the end of the Designation Rights Period, Sellers shall maintain, as an Occupancy Expense, the effectiveness of and, to the extent expiring, renew, all Plans and Permits with regard to the Properties.

(b) Buyer's Obligations.

- (i) Buyer shall pay (or reimburse Sellers) (subject to the restrictions set forth herein) all Expenses with respect to the Designatable Leases.
- (ii) Buyer will, as soon as reasonably practicable, but in no event later than the Designation Deadline, identify to Seller any Designatable Leases that Buyer has determined will not be designated for assumption and assignment pursuant to the Designation Rights and Seller shall be free to dispose of such Designatable Leases in its sole discretion.

(c) Operation of Lease Premises.

- (i) The operation of the Lease Premises related to the (A) Operating Leased Property during the Designation Rights Period and (b) with respect to each GOB Leased Store following the end of the applicable GOB Period for each such GOB Leased Store and ending at the end of the Designation Rights Period, shall in each case be governed by an Occupancy Agreement in the form attached hereto as Exhibit D, and Buyer shall conduct such operation pursuant to such Occupancy Agreement, including the sale of the Acquired Inventory at such Lease Premises related to the Designatable Leases, as Buyer determines in its sole discretion, including by (A) conducting liquidation sales at any or all of such Lease Premises related to the Designatable Leases or (B) operating the Lease Premises pursuant to the Occupancy Agreement.
- (ii) The operation of the GOB Owned Stores during the GOB Period shall be governed by the Seller Retained Occupancy Agreement and Seller shall conduct such

operation pursuant to such Seller Retained Occupancy Agreement as Seller determines in its sole discretion.

Section 5.2 Assumption.

- (a) Following Closing, at any time on or prior to the Designation Deadline, Buyer shall have the right, which right may be exercised at any time and from time to time, in consultation with the Sellers, to designate such Designatable Lease for assumption and assignment and shall provide notice to Sellers executed by Buyer and the Assignee (a "Buyer Assumption Notice") of Buyer's election to require Sellers to assume such Designatable Leases and assign the same to the Assignee identified in such Buyer Assumption Notice; provided that Buyer shall pay all Cure Costs associated with any assumption and assignment of any such Designatable Leases in accordance with the terms of Section 2.7; provided further, that the Assignee shall agree, pursuant to the Buyer Assumption Notice, to assume Buyer's obligations under this Agreement in relation to the relevant Designatable Lease. The Buyer Assumption Notice shall provide the following information: (1) the Designatable Leases being assumed and assigned and (2) the identity of the applicable Assignee(s).
- (b) Within five (5) Business Days following the date upon which Buyer delivers a Buyer Assumption Notice to Sellers with respect to any Designatable Lease, together with a related assignment agreement substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit E (the "Assignment and Assumption of Lease") executed by the applicable Assignee, Sellers shall (1) deliver to Buyer and such Assignee a fully executed Assignment and Assumption of Lease and (2) file with the Bankruptcy Court and serve on the applicable lessor(s) and other appropriate notice parties (as applicable) a notice, and shall seek entry by the Bankruptcy Court of the Approval Order in respect of the Designatable Leases subject to such Buyer Assumption Notice; provided, that, in no event shall any Designation Assignment Date be prior to the Inventory Date. As of the applicable Designation Assignment Date, except for such obligations and liabilities with respect to such Designatable Leases and the related Lease Premises arising during the Designation Rights Period and except for Buyer's obligations specifically set forth in this Agreement, as between Buyer and the Assignee, Buyer shall have no further obligation or Liability with respect to such Designatable Lease or the related Lease Premises (including any obligation to continue to pay Expenses with respect thereto) and Assignee shall thereafter be solely responsible for all amounts payable or other obligations or liabilities that may be owed in connection with such Designatable Lease or the related Lease Premises; provided, however, that nothing in this sentence shall affect Sellers' rights against Buyer with respect to such Designatable Lease or the Lease Premises as set forth in this Agreement.
- (c) Upon Buyer's request prior to the last day of the Designation Rights Period (provided that the Assignee shall have notified Sellers as to the particular Assignment Instruments and Assignment Actions to be delivered and taken at least two (2) Business Days prior thereto), Sellers shall deliver to the applicable Assignee instruments reasonably necessary or desirable (as reasonably agreed between Sellers and Assignee) providing for the assignment, conveyance and delivery to such Assignee of the applicable Designatable Lease, together with the related Acquired Assets, in each case free and clear of all Encumbrances of any and every kind, nature and description, other than Permitted Encumbrances (the "Assignment Instruments") and shall

otherwise take such actions as are reasonably necessary or desirable (as reasonably agreed by Seller and such Assignee) in order to cause such sale, transfer, assignment, conveyance and delivery to become effective (collectively, the "Assignment Actions"); provided, however, that Buyer shall be solely responsible for all Cure Costs in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

- (d) The effective date of the sale, transfer, assignment, conveyance and delivery by Sellers to such Assignee of a Designatable Lease and related assets pursuant to this Agreement and the applicable Assignment and Assumption of Lease shall be the "Designation Assignment Date" with respect to such Lease and related assets.
 - (e) With respect to any Designatable Lease designated in a Buyer Assumption Notice:
 - (i) Sellers, at no cost, expense or Liability to Sellers, and Buyer shall each use (and Buyer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause Assignee to use) commercially reasonable efforts to accomplish, and shall fully cooperate with each other in, the resolution of any objections to the proposed assumption and assignment of such Designatable Lease and related assets;
 - (ii) Buyer shall cause Assignee to provide evidence (A) of adequate assurance of future performance within the meaning of section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, (B) that Assignee is a good faith purchaser for purposes of section 363(m) of the Bankruptcy Code, including, in both cases, through the provision of such financial information and/or the filing of such affidavits or declarations with the Bankruptcy Court as may reasonably be requested by Sellers, or (C) any other information as may be required by the Bidding Procedures Order; and
 - (iii) Buyer shall pay or be responsible for all Cure Costs and Expenses and pay and perform the other obligations of Buyer set forth in this Agreement.
- (f) Except as otherwise set forth in this <u>Article V</u>, each Person shall bear their own costs and expenses in respect of obtaining entry of the Approval Order and otherwise implementing the sale, transfer, assignment, conveyance and delivery of the applicable Lease and related assets to the applicable Assignee, including the filing and prosecution of any motions or other papers with respect to the same.

Section 5.3 <u>Election Not to Assume and Assign a Designatable Lease.</u>

- (a) At any time before the date that is five (5) Business Days on or before the Designation Deadline, Buyer shall in accordance with the terms of this Agreement provide notice to Sellers (each such notice, a "Buyer Rejection Notice") of Buyer's election not to have such Designatable Lease assumed and assigned.
- (b) Within five (5) Business Days following the date upon which Buyer delivers a Buyer Rejection Notice to Sellers with respect to the applicable Lease, Buyer shall vacate the applicable Property and deliver to Sellers the keys to such Property, if in the possession of Buyer. As of the date that is the later of (i) the date Buyer vacates the applicable Property and delivers to

Sellers the keys to such Property, if in the possession of Buyer and (ii) five (5) Business Days after the date of the Buyer Rejection Notice, Buyer shall have no further obligation or liability with respect to the applicable Lease, Contract or Lease Premises, except with respect to obligations and liabilities with respect to such Lease, Contract, or Lease Premises arising during the Designation Rights Period, and Sellers shall thereafter be solely responsible for all amounts payable or other obligations or liabilities that may be owed in connection with such Lease, Contract or Lease Premises.

ARTICLE VI

REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF SELLERS

Except as set forth in the Schedules delivered as of the date hereof by Sellers to Buyer and except as relates to a matter involving a Buyer Related Party (as to which no representation or warranty is being made), Sellers hereby, jointly and severally, represent and warrant to Buyer that the statements contained in this <u>Article VI</u> are true and correct as of the date hereof:

Section 6.1 Organization and Good Standing. Each Seller is an entity duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the Laws of the jurisdiction of its organization. Subject to the limitations imposed on such Seller as a result of the Filing, each Seller has the requisite corporate, partnership or limited liability company power and authority to own or lease and to operate and use its properties and to carry on its business as now conducted. Each Seller is duly qualified or licensed to do business and is in good standing in each jurisdiction where a Property is located where the character of its business or the nature of its properties requires such qualification or licensing, except where the failure to be so qualified or licensed or to be in good standing would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 6.2 Authority; Validity; Consents. Each Seller has, subject to requisite Bankruptcy Court approval, as applicable, the requisite corporate, partnership or limited liability company power and authority necessary to enter into and perform its obligations under this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents to which it is, or will become, a party and to consummate the Transactions. This Agreement has been duly and validly executed and delivered by each Seller and each other Transaction Document required to be executed and delivered by Sellers at any time will be duly and validly executed and delivered by each Seller. Subject to requisite Bankruptcy Court approval, as applicable, this Agreement and (when duly executed by Sellers) the other Transaction Documents constitute, with respect to each Seller, the legal, valid and binding obligations of such Seller, enforceable against such Seller in accordance with their respective terms, except as such enforceability is limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or similar laws now or hereafter in effect relating to creditors' rights generally or general principles of equity. Subject to, and after giving effect to, requisite Bankruptcy Court approval (including the Approval Order) no Seller is required to give any notice to, make any filing with or obtain any consent from any Person (including any Governmental Authority) in connection with the execution and delivery of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents or the consummation or performance of any of the Transactions, except for (i) expiration or termination of any applicable waiting periods under the HSR Act and (ii) such notices, filings and consents, the failure of which to provide, make or obtain, would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 6.3 No Conflict. When the Approval Order and the consents and other actions described in Section 6.2 have been obtained and taken, the execution and delivery of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents and the consummation of the Transactions will not result in the material breach of any of the terms and provisions of, or constitute a default under, or conflict with, or require consent or the giving of a notice under, or cause any acceleration of any obligation of Sellers under (a) any Order, (b) any Law or (c) the organizational documents of any Seller except, with respect to (a) or (b), as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 6.4 Environmental Matters. Except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, to Sellers' Knowledge. (i) none of the Acquired Properties has been used by any Person as a landfill or storage, treatment, or disposal site for any type of Hazardous Substance or non-hazardous solid wastes as defined under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976, as amended, in a manner which would reasonably be expected to result in any Seller incurring liabilities under Environmental Laws; (ii) the use by each Seller of the Acquired Properties is, and since the beginning of the Current Fiscal Year has been, in compliance with all Environmental Laws and Environmental Permits, except for such non-compliance that has not been, and would reasonably be expected to result in any Seller incurring liabilities under Environmental Laws; and (iii) none of the Acquired Assets is subject to any pending Action alleging that any Acquired Assets or Seller, with respect to the Acquired Assets, is in violation of any Environmental Law or Environmental Permit that would reasonably be expected to result in any Seller incurring liabilities under Environmental Laws. Since the beginning of the Current Fiscal Year, the Sellers have not received any written notice threatening any Action alleging that any Seller is in violation of any Environmental Law or Environmental Permit in respect of any Acquired Property that would reasonably be expected. individually or in the aggregate, to have a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 6.5 <u>Title to Acquired Assets.</u>

- (a) Except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, Sellers (directly or indirectly) have good title to, or, in the case of Potential Acquired Assets that are leased by Sellers, a valid leasehold interest in, all of the Potential Acquired Assets, free and clear of all Encumbrances, except for Permitted Encumbrances.
- (b) Sellers shall (i) with respect to the Owned Real Property, the Business and the Acquired Assets, upon delivery to Buyer on the Closing Date of the instruments of transfer contemplated by Section 4.3 and (ii) with respect to any Potential Acquired Assets related to any Acquired Lease Premises, upon delivery to the applicable Assignee of the instruments of transfer contemplated by an applicable Assignment and Assumption of Lease, and in each case subject to the terms of the Approval Order, thereby transfer to Buyer or the applicable Assignee, as applicable, good (and, in the case of owned real property, marketable fee simple) title to, or, in the case of Potential Acquired Assets that are leased by Sellers, a valid leasehold interest in, all of the

Potential Acquired Assets, free and clear of all Encumbrances, except for Permitted Encumbrances.

Section 6.6 Real Property.

- (a) Except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, Sellers have good and marketable fee title to the Owned Real Property, free and clear of all liens (except for Permitted Encumbrances). None of the Owned Real Property is subject to any leases or tenancies or other rights of occupancy.
- (b) Except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, (i) there is no pending condemnation proceeding, administrative action or judicial proceeding of any type relating to the Owned Real Property or other matters affecting adversely the current use, occupancy or value of the Owned Real Property and (ii) neither the current use of the Owned Real Property nor the operations of Sellers violates any applicable legal requirements.
- The Initial Assigned Leases and the Designatable Leases constitute all leases and material Security Deposit Documents with respect to any real property for the Lease Premises. On or before the date hereof, Sellers have delivered or made available to Buyer true and complete copies of all Leases and Security Deposit Documents for the Lease Premises (it being agreed that, while Sellers shall use reasonable best efforts to deliver or make available to Buyer all such documents, Sellers shall not be deemed to have breached this representation if, in the case of Security Deposit Documents, lease amendments, non-disturbance agreements, subordination, non-disturbance and attornment agreements, waivers and consents in favor of any Seller and estoppel certificates from landlords, Sellers shall have only delivered or made available to Buyer true and complete copies of only those of the same which are material). There are no material agreements, understandings or undertakings pertaining to the Leases, the Security Deposits, the Security Deposit Documents, the Sellers' leasehold interest in the Properties, the Lease Premises or Sellers' use or occupation of the Lease Premises or any portion thereof which are in Sellers' possession which have not been disclosed to Buyer or made available in the data room made available to Buyer prior to the date hereof. To Sellers' Knowledge, no Person that is not a Seller has any right to possess, use or occupy the Lease Premises.
- thereto and, to Sellers' Knowledge, against each other party thereto, in accordance with its terms (except for any direct or indirect restriction, limitation or condition on Sellers' assignment of the Leases to Buyer which shall not be of any force or effect pursuant to the Approval Order), and, subject to the entry of the Approval Order and payment of the Cure Costs and other than solely as a result of the filing of the Bankruptcy Cases or the financial condition of Holdings or its Subsidiaries, to Sellers' Knowledge, no event of default currently exists thereunder by any counterparty thereto, and no event has occurred thereunder that after the giving of notice or the passage of any applicable cure period or both would constitute an event of default of Sellers or, to Sellers' Knowledge, any other party thereto, and no Seller has delivered or received any written notice from the other party to any such Lease of the termination or surrender thereof, and the Leases have not been amended, modified or supplemented, except to the extent, in each case as

described in this <u>Section 6.6(d)</u>, that the failure of the same to be true would not in the aggregate reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

- (e) There are no pending condemnation or eminent domain proceedings or any proceedings in lieu thereof against any of the Lease Premises, Owned Real Property or any part thereof, except to the extent that the failure of the same to be true would not in the aggregate have a Material Adverse Effect.
- Section 6.7 Taxes. There are no Encumbrances for Taxes on any of the Potential Acquired Assets other than statutory liens for current Taxes not yet delinquent or Taxes being contested in good faith. Each Seller has timely filed or caused to be timely filed with the appropriate Governmental Authority all material Tax Returns required to be filed by or on behalf of such seller with respect to or in connection with the Acquired Assets, the Properties, Business and the Assumed Liabilities. Such Tax Returns are true, complete and accurate in all material respects. Other than any Taxes the timely payment of which is precluded by the Bankruptcy Case, each Seller has paid and discharged in full all material amount of Taxes payable by or on behalf of such Seller. None of the Acquired Assets include or consist of an interest in any partnership, corporation or other regarded entity for U.S. federal, state or local income tax purposes. No Tax Proceeding is pending or has been threatened in writing against or with respect to any Seller in connection with the Potential Acquired Assets, the Properties, the Seller's business or the Assumed Liabilities. Each Seller has complied in all material respects with all applicable Laws (including information reporting requirements) relating to the collection, withholding and remittance of Taxes with respect to or in connection with the Acquired Assets, the Properties, the Seller's business and the Assumed Liabilities.
- Section 6.8 <u>Brokers or Finders</u>. Sellers have not incurred any obligation or liability, contingent or otherwise, for brokerage or finders' fees or agents' commissions or other similar payment in connection with this Agreement, the other Transaction Documents or the Transactions for which Buyer is or will become liable.

Section 6.9 <u>Employee and Employee Plan Matters.</u>

(a) No Seller is party to any collective bargaining, works council or similar Contract with any labor organization, union or association. No labor organization or group of employees of Sellers has made a pending demand for recognition or certification, and there are no representation or certification proceedings or petitions seeking a representation proceeding presently pending or, to the Knowledge of Sellers, threatened to be brought or filed, with the National Labor Relations Board or any other labor relations tribunal or authority. There is no pending labor dispute, strike, controversy, slowdown, work stoppage or lockout pending or, to the Knowledge of Sellers, threatened, against the Business or any Seller in connection with the Business, except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. There are no pending labor union grievances or unfair labor practices against any Seller, except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

- (b) Sellers are in compliance in all material respects with all Employment Laws. There are no pending employment-related lawsuits or administrative actions alleging violations of Employment Laws against any Seller in state or federal court or pending with any Government Authority (including the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, the U.S. Department of Labor or any equivalent state or local agencies charged with investigating or adjudicating employee claims concerning alleged violations of Employment Laws), except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.
- (c) Each Employee Plan that is intended to be a qualified under Section 401(a) of the Code has either received a favorable determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service or may rely on a favorable opinion letter issued by the Internal Revenue Service and, to the Knowledge of Sellers, nothing has occurred since the date of such determination or opinion letter that would reasonably be expected to adversely affect such qualification. Each Employee Plan has been established, operated and administered in compliance with its terms and applicable Laws (including ERISA and the Code), except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. All contributions or other amounts payable by Sellers with respect to each Employee Plan in respect of current or prior plan years have been timely paid or accrued in accordance with applicable accounting standards.
- (d) There are no actions, suits, audits or investigations by any Governmental Authority, termination proceedings or other claims (except routine claims for benefits payable under the Employee Plans) pending or, to the Knowledge of Sellers, threatened, other than any such investigations, proceedings or claims that would not individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.
- (e) No Employee Plan is subject to Section 302 or Title IV of ERISA or Section 412, 430, or 4971 of the Code. During the immediately preceding six (6) years, no Liability under Section 302 or Title IV of ERISA has been incurred by Sellers or their respective ERISA Affiliates or their respective predecessors that has not been satisfied in full, and no condition exists that presents a risk to Sellers or any such ERISA Affiliates of incurring any such Liability.
- (f) Neither Sellers nor any of their respective ERISA Affiliates has, at any time during the preceding six (6) years, contributed to, been obligated to contribute to or had any Liability (including any contingent Liability) with respect to any Multiemployer Plan or a plan that has two or more contributing sponsors, at least two of whom are not under common control, within the meaning of Section 4063 of ERISA, and no condition exists that presents a risk to Sellers or any such ERISA Affiliates of incurring any such Liability.
- (g) Neither the execution and delivery of this Agreement nor the consummation of the Transactions will (either alone or in conjunction with any other event): (i) entitle any current or former employee, officer, director or independent contractor of any Seller to any payment or benefit (or result in the funding of any such payment or benefit) under any Employee Plan; (ii) increase the amount of any compensation, equity award or other benefits otherwise payable by any Seller under any Employee Plan; (iii) result in the acceleration of the time of payment, funding or vesting of any compensation, equity award or other benefits under any Employee Plan; or (iv) result in any "excess parachute payment" (within the meaning of Section 280G of the Code)

becoming due to any current or former employee, officer, director or independent contractor of any Seller.

Section 6.10 <u>Intellectual Property</u>.

- (a) Set forth in Schedule 6.10(a) is a correct and complete list of all issued Patents, registered Trademarks, registered Copyrights, Domain Names and Media Accounts, and as applicable, all applications for each of the foregoing, which are owned by a Seller as of the date hereof or as of the Closing Date, including for each registered, issued or applied-for item: (i) the registered owner (and, if different, the legal owner) of the item, (ii) the jurisdiction in which the item is issued or registered or which any application for issuance or registration has been filed, (iii) the respective issuance, registration or application number of such item, (iv) the date of application and issuance or registration of the item, as applicable, and (v) with respect to Domain Names, the relevant domain name registrar and paid-until date.
- (b) With respect to each item of Acquired Intellectual Property, including each item identified in Schedule 6.10(a):
 - (i) Sellers exclusively own all right, title and interest in and to each such Acquired Intellectual Property free and clear of any Encumbrance and from any Contract that restricts Sellers' right to use the Acquired Intellectual Property, in each case, except Permitted Pre-Closing Encumbrances; for the avoidance of doubt, Schedule 6.10(b)(i) shall identify the co-owner(s) of each item of Acquired Intellectual Property and the agreements under which any Seller and the co-owner(s) share ownership of such Intellectual Property;
 - (ii) the item is not subject to any outstanding material Order, not including any outstanding objection, rejection or refusal issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office or the foreign equivalent thereof in connection with the prosecution or examination of a patent or trademark application; and
 - (iii) to Sellers' Knowledge, each issued Patent and registered Trademark (excluding those registered Trademarks that are currently in the grace period) is valid, subsisting and enforceable and duly registered or issued, as applicable, in the name of a Seller.
- (c) Except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to be material to the Business or the ownership or operation of the Acquired Assets, to Sellers' Knowledge: (i) neither the operation of the Business nor the Acquired Assets (other than the Acquired Inventory) is infringing, misappropriating, diluting or violating or have, since the beginning of the Current Fiscal Year, infringed upon, misappropriated, diluted or otherwise violated, any Intellectual Property of any other Person, (ii) since the beginning of the Current Fiscal Year, no Seller has received any written charge, complaint, claim, demand, or notice (including in the form of "cease and desist" letters, indemnification claims or "invitation to license" offers) alleging any such infringement, misappropriation, dilution or violation, nor is there any Action pending or threatened relating to the same, and (iii) since the beginning of the Current Fiscal Year, no Person has initiated or threatened any Action challenging the validity, enforceability or

ownership of any Acquired Intellectual Property. To the Knowledge of Sellers, no Person has infringed upon, misappropriated, diluted or otherwise violated any of the Acquired Intellectual Property in any material respect.

- (d) To the extent any current or former officers, directors, employees, contractors and consultants of Sellers have made contributions for or on behalf of Sellers to the creation or development of any Intellectual Property that is material to the operations of Sellers, Sellers own the entire right, title and interest in such contributions.
- (e) Since the beginning of the Current Fiscal Year, there has been no material failure or other material substandard performance of any servers, computer hardware, networks, Software, databases, telecommunications systems, interfaces or related systems (collectively, "IT Systems") of Sellers, which has caused any material disruption to the operation of any of Sellers' businesses. Sellers have taken commercially reasonable (i) steps to provide for the backup and recovery of data and commercially reasonable disaster recovery plans, procedures and facilities of IT Systems included in the Potential Acquired Assets and, as applicable, have taken commercially reasonable steps to implement such plans and procedures and (ii) actions to protect the integrity and security of IT Systems included in the Potential Acquired Assets, the information stored thereon and Acquired Data from unauthorized use or access by third parties and from viruses and contaminants. Since the beginning of the Current Fiscal Year, and to the Knowledge of Sellers, since January 1, 2017, there have been no material unauthorized intrusions or breaches of the security of the IT Systems (including any ransomware attack), nor any material loss or breach of, or unauthorized access to, any data, in each case with respect to IT Systems or data that relate to the Potential Acquired Assets.
- (f) Sellers have taken commercially reasonable steps to protect and preserve the secrecy and confidentiality of all information and materials that derive independent economic value from not being generally known to the public and all Know-How of third parties which was provided to a Seller under confidentiality obligations. Sellers have not (A) deposited or agreed to deposit any source code of Software the rights to which are included in the Potential Acquired Assets into a source code escrow or (B) disclosed or agreed to disclose or delivered or agreed to deliver such source code to any Person, other than disclosures made pursuant to clause (B) to Persons who are subject to confidentiality obligations which restrict their use and disclosure of such source code to other Persons not bound by confidentiality restrictions, and no Person has any contractual right to receive such source code.
- (g) Except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to be material to the Business or the ownership or operation of the Acquired Assets, since the beginning of the Current Fiscal Year, and to the Knowledge of Sellers, since January 1, 2017, (i) Sellers have complied with all applicable Laws and contractual obligations relating to the collection, transfer, storage, disposal, use, processing and disclosure of the Customer Data included in the Acquired Data, and (ii) to the Knowledge of Sellers, there have been no losses or thefts of Customer Data or any other data held by or on behalf of Sellers, and in each case, included in the Acquired Data. Since January 1, 2016, Sellers have not received any unresolved written notice, request or written claim from any Person, including any Governmental Authority, concerning the material violation of any applicable Laws relating to the collection, transfer, storage, disposal, use, processing or

disclosure of personally identifiable information, and, to the Knowledge of Sellers, no investigation by any Governmental Authority regarding a violation of such Laws is pending or threatened, in each case, solely as related to the Potential Acquired Assets.

Section 6.11 Material Contracts.

- (a) <u>Schedule 6.11</u> sets forth all of the following Orders or Contracts to which any Seller is a party or by which it is bound and that are currently in effect (or by which the Potential Acquired Assets may be bound or affected) other than the Leases (collectively, whether or not disclosed on <u>Schedule 6.11</u>, the "<u>Material Contracts</u>"):
 - (i) with any labor union or association representing any Employees of any Seller;
 - (ii) for the sale after the date hereof of any Potential Acquired Asset owned or used by Sellers for consideration in excess of \$15,000,000;
 - (iii) relating to the pending acquisition by any Seller of any operating business or the capital stock of any other Person;
 - (iv) which is an IP License with respect to which annual payments or consideration furnished by or to Sellers pursuant to such IP License with respect to the Business is in excess of fifteen million dollars (\$15,000,000) in the Current Fiscal Year (other than, (A) in the case of Inbound IP Licenses, (x) off-the-shelf, non-customized computer programs, and (y) non-exclusive licenses granted by suppliers and other service providers of Sellers, in each case, to the extent necessary to use, sell and offer to sell the products and services of such suppliers or service providers, as applicable, and entered into in the Ordinary Course of Business; and (B) in the case of Outbound IP Licenses, non-exclusive licenses to customers, suppliers, vendors and other service providers of Sellers, in each case to the extent necessary for their respective use of the products and services of the Business or for the manufacture of products on behalf of Sellers or provision of services to Sellers in connection therewith and entered into in the Ordinary Course of Business);
 - (v) which involve any Potential Transferred Agreement (other than purchase orders entered into in the Ordinary Course of Business) the performance of which involves payment by or to any of Sellers of consideration in excess of \$15,000,000 over the Current Fiscal Year and which cannot be canceled by notice of ninety (90) days or fewer without penalty or payment; and
 - (vi) which regard the employment, services, consulting, termination or severance from employment relating to or for the material benefit of any director, officer, employee, independent contractor or consultant of any Seller and require annual payments by any Seller in excess of \$400,000.
- (b) Sellers have delivered to Buyer true and complete copies of such Material Contracts and any and all amendments, modifications, supplements, exhibits and restatements thereto and thereof in effect as of the date of this Agreement; provided, however, that Sellers shall not be

required to deliver any Material Contract or amendment, modification, supplement, exhibit or restatement thereto that cannot be located notwithstanding the reasonable efforts of Sellers to locate such document if and only if such Material Contract is not an Assigned Agreement.

- (c) Each Material Contract is in full force and effect, has not been amended, modified or supplemented and is the valid and binding obligation of the Seller party thereto, and to the Knowledge of Sellers, each other party thereto, in each case except as such enforceability may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or similar Laws now or hereafter in effect relating to creditor's rights generally or general principles of equity.
- (d) If any Material Contract were to be designated by Buyer for assignment as an Assigned Agreement, upon entry of the Approval Order and payment of the Cure Costs, no Seller is in breach or in default under any Material Contract.
- Section 6.12 <u>Seller SEC Reports</u>. Since the beginning of the Current Fiscal Year, SHC has filed or furnished (as applicable) all forms, reports, schedules, statements and other documents with the SEC that have been required to be filed or furnished (as applicable) by it under applicable Laws prior to the date hereof (all such forms, reports, schedules, statements and other documents, as amended and supplemented, and together with all exhibits and schedules thereto, the "<u>Seller SEC Reports</u>"). As of its filing date (or, if amended or superseded by a filing prior to the date of this Agreement, on the date of such amended or superseded filing), (a) each Seller SEC Report complied as to form in all material respects with the applicable requirements of the Securities Act, the Exchange Act or the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, as the case may be (including, in each case, the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder), each as in effect on the date such Seller SEC Report was filed, and (b) each Seller SEC Report did not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements made therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.
- Section 6.13 <u>Financial Statements</u>. The consolidated financial statements of SHC and its Subsidiaries included or incorporated by reference into the Seller SEC Reports have been prepared in accordance with GAAP consistently applied during the periods and at the dates involved (except as may be indicated in the notes thereto or, with respect to any unaudited interim financial statements, the absence of footnote disclosures and other presentation items and normal year-end audit adjustments or as permitted by the SEC's rules and forms), comply as to form in all material respects with applicable accounting requirements and the published rules and regulations of the SEC with respect thereto and fairly present in all material respects the consolidated financial position of SHC and its Subsidiaries as of the dates thereof and the consolidated results of operations and cash flows for the periods then ended.
- Section 6.14 <u>Litigation</u>. Except as would not reasonably be expected, individually or in the aggregate, to have a Material Adverse Effect, there are no Actions pending or, to the knowledge of Sellers, threatened before, or by any Governmental Authority against any Seller with respect to the Business.
- Section 6.15 No Other Representations or Warranties; No Survival. Except for the representations and warranties contained in this Article VI (subject to the disclosures set forth on

the Schedules) and in the other Transactions Documents, as applicable, neither Sellers nor any other Person on behalf of Sellers makes any express or implied representation or warranty with respect to Sellers, its Subsidiaries, the Business, the Acquired Assets, the Assumed Liabilities, the Transactions or with respect to any information provided by or on behalf of Sellers to Buyer and Seller disclaims any other representations or warranties, whether made by Seller, any Affiliate of Seller or any of their respective officers, directors, employees, agents or representatives. Except for the representations and warranties contained in this Article VI and in the other Transactions Documents, as applicable, the Sellers (a) expressly disclaim and negate any representation or warranty, expressed or implied, at common law, by statute, or otherwise, relating to the condition of the Acquired Assets (including any implied or expressed warranty of merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose, or of conformity to models or samples of materials) and (b) disclaim all liability and responsibility for any representation, warranty, projection, forecast, statement, or information made, communicated, or furnished (orally or in writing) to Buyer or its Affiliates or their respective representatives (including any opinion, information, projection, or advice that may have been or may be provided to Buyer by any Representative of Seller or any of its Affiliates). It is expressly acknowledged and agreed that Sellers make no representations or warranties to Buyer regarding the success or profitability of the Business or with respect to the assets, liabilities or business of the Business (as defined in the SHIP Purchase Agreement). The representations and warranties of Sellers will expire upon the Closing Date.

ARTICLE VII

REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF BUYER

Buyer hereby represents and warrants to Sellers that the statements contained in this Article VII are true and correct as of the date hereof:

Section 7.1 <u>Organization and Good Standing; Organizational Documents; Ownership.</u> Buyer is a limited liability company, duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware. Buyer has the requisite power and authority to own or lease and to operate and use its properties and the Acquired Assets and to carry on its business as now conducted and the Business. Buyer has delivered to Seller true and correct copies of the organizational documents of Buyer in effect as of the date hereof. All of the equity interests in Buyer as of the date hereof are owned of record and beneficially as set forth on <u>Schedule 7.1</u>.

Section 7.2 <u>Authority; Validity; Consents</u>. Buyer has the requisite power and authority necessary to enter into and perform its obligations under this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents to which it is a party and to consummate the Transactions. The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement by Buyer and the consummation by Buyer of the Transactions have been duly and validly authorized by all requisite corporate, partnership or limited liability company actions in respect thereof. This Agreement has been duly and validly executed and delivered by Buyer and each other Transaction Document required to be executed and delivered by Buyer at any time will be duly and validly executed and delivered by Buyer. This Agreement and (when duly executed by Buyer) the other Transaction Documents constitute the legal, valid and binding obligation of Buyer, enforceable against Buyer in accordance with their respective terms, except as such enforceability is limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization,

moratorium or similar Laws now or hereafter in effect relating to creditors' rights generally or general principles of equity. Subject to requisite Bankruptcy Court approval, as applicable, Buyer is not and will not be required to give any notice to or obtain any consent from any Person in connection with the execution and delivery of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents to which it is a party or the consummation or performance of any of the Transactions, except for (a) expiration or termination of any applicable waiting periods under the HSR Act and (b) such notices, filings and consents, the failure of which to provide, make or obtain, would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a material adverse effect on Buyer's right or ability to consummate the Transactions. There are no consents of any Buyer Related Party required for the execution, delivery and performance of the Transaction Documents and the consummation of the Transactions, including for the satisfaction of any condition set forth in Article X or Article XI.

Section 7.3 No Conflict. When the consents and other actions described in Section 7.2 have been obtained and taken, the execution and delivery of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents and the consummation of the Transactions will not result in the breach of any of the terms and provisions of, or constitute a default under, or materially conflict with, or require consent or the giving of a notice under, or cause any acceleration of any material obligation of Buyer under (a) any organizational documents of Buyer, (b) any Order or (c) any Law, except to the extent any such default, conflict or consent would not affect in any material respect Buyer's ability to consummate the Transactions.

Section 7.4 Financing; Availability of Funds.

- (a) Buyer shall deliver to Sellers concurrently herewith or prior to the execution of this Agreement a true, correct and complete copies of:
 - (i) an executed equity commitment letter (the "Equity Commitment Letter") to Buyer from ESL Investments, Inc. (the "Sponsor"), including all annexes, exhibits, schedules and other attachments thereto, dated as of the date hereof, pursuant to which the Sponsor has committed to provide Buyer with equity financing in the amount set forth therein (the "Equity Financing") for the purpose of funding the Transactions;
 - (ii) an executed mortgage loan commitment letter (the "Real Estate Financing Commitment Letter") to Buyer from the Cyrus Lender and the Sponsor, including all annexes, exhibits, schedules and other attachments thereto, dated as of the date hereof, pursuant to which Cyrus and the Sponsor have committed to provide Buyer with real estate mortgage financing in the amount set forth therein (the "Real Estate Financing") for the purpose of funding the Transactions;
 - (iii) the executed Cyrus Commitment Letter; and
 - (iv) the executed ABL Commitment Letter and the related fee letter (provided that fees, economics and other provisions which are customarily redacted in connection with acquisitions of this type may be redacted in a customary manner (to the extent any such provisions would not adversely affect the conditionality, enforceability, or availability of the amount of the Debt Financing necessary to consummate the Transactions)).

- As of the date hereof, the Commitment Letters are in full force and effect and have not been withdrawn or terminated or otherwise amended or modified in any respect. As of the date hereof, the Commitment Letters are a legal, valid and binding obligation of Buyer and, to the knowledge of Buyer, the other parties thereto (subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent conveyance, reorganization, moratorium and similar Laws affecting creditors' rights generally and to general principles of equity). As of the date hereof, (x) there are no side letters or other agreements, contracts or arrangements to which Buyer or any of its Affiliates is a party relating to the Financing that could affect the availability of the amount of the Financing funded on the Closing Date necessary to consummate the Transactions and (y) there are no conditions precedent or other contingencies related to the funding the Financing that could adversely affect the availability of the Financing or the timing of the Closing, other than as expressly set forth in the Commitment Letters. Buyer has fully paid any and all commitment fees or other fees required by the Commitment Letters to be paid by it on or prior to the date of this Agreement. Assuming the satisfaction of the conditions set forth in Article X, as of the date hereof, Buyer has no reason to believe that any of the conditions to the Financing in the Commitment Letters will not be satisfied. As of the date hereof, Buyer is not aware of any fact or occurrence that, with or without notice, lapse of time or both, would reasonably be expected to result in the Financing not being available on a timely basis in order to consummate the Transactions.
- (c) Assuming (i) the accuracy of the representations and warranties set forth in Article VI of this Agreement and (ii) the performance by Sellers of their respective obligations hereunder in a manner sufficient to satisfy the condition specified in Section 10.2, the net proceeds from the Financing will be sufficient to consummate the Transactions, including the payment by Buyer of all obligations pursuant to this Agreement and any fees and expenses payable by Buyer on the Closing Date (including in respect of the Debt Financing).
- (d) The obligations of Buyer under this Agreement are not contingent on the availability of the Debt Financing.
- (e) Buyer owns of record and beneficially obligations in the amount it is credit bidding under Section 3.1(b) and a sufficient amount of the aggregate obligations outstanding under the Second Lien Term Loan, Second Lien Line of Credit Facility and the Second Lien PIK Notes to direct the Second Lien Trustee to credit bid 100% of such amount as provided in Section 3.1(b)(iv).
- Section 7.5 <u>Litigation</u>. There are no Proceedings pending or, to the knowledge of Buyer, threatened, or to which Buyer is otherwise a party before any Governmental Authority, that would affect in any material respect Buyer's ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement or any other Transaction Documents or to consummate the Transactions.
- Section 7.6 <u>Brokers or Finders</u>. Except for any brokers utilized by Buyer in the normal course of business (which brokers shall be compensated, if at all, by Buyer), neither Buyer nor any Person acting on behalf of Buyer has paid or become obligated to pay any fee or commission to any broker, finder, investment banker, agent or intermediary for or on account of the Transactions for which Sellers are or will become liable, and Buyer shall hold harmless and indemnify Sellers from any claims with respect to any such fees or commissions.

Section 7.7 <u>Condition of Acquired Assets; Representations.</u>

Notwithstanding anything contained in this Agreement to the contrary, Buyer acknowledges and agrees that Sellers are not making any representations or warranties whatsoever, express or implied, beyond those expressly given by Sellers in Article VI (subject to the disclosures set forth on the Schedules), and Buyer acknowledges and agrees that the Acquired Assets are being transferred on an "as is", "where is" basis. Buyer acknowledges and accepts the disclaimers made by Sellers in Section 6.16. Buyer acknowledges that it has conducted to its satisfaction its own independent investigation of the Business, the Acquired Assets and Assumed Labilities and, in making the determination to proceed with the Transactions, Buyer has relied solely on the results of its own independent investigation. In connection with Buver's investigation, Buyer has received or may receive from Sellers certain projections, forward-looking statements and other forecasts and certain business plan information. Buyer acknowledges that Sellers make no representation or warranty with respect to forward-looking estimates, projections, forecasts or plans (including the reasonableness of the assumptions underlying such estimates, projections, forecasts or plans). Buyer acknowledges that there are uncertainties inherent in attempting to make such estimates, projections and other forecasts and plans, that Buyer is familiar with such uncertainties, that Buyer is taking full responsibility for making its own evaluation of the adequacy and accuracy of all estimates, projections and other forecasts and plans so furnished to it (including the reasonableness of the assumptions underlying such estimates, projections, forecasts or plans), and that Buyer shall have no claim against anyone with respect thereto. Accordingly, Buyer acknowledges that Sellers make no representation or warranty with respect to such estimates, projections, forecasts or plans (including the reasonableness of the assumptions underlying such estimates, projections, forecasts or plans) or the success or profitability of the Business.

Section 7.8 No Survival. The representations and warranties of Buyer will expire upon the Closing Date.

ARTICLE VIII

ACTION PRIOR TO THE CLOSING DATE

Section 8.1 Operations.

(a) From the date hereof and prior to the Closing, except (i) as required by applicable Law, (ii) as expressly contemplated by this Agreement or (iii) with the prior written consent of Buyer (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, delayed or conditioned), Sellers covenant and agree to comply with applicable Law in all material respects and to use commercially reasonable efforts to conduct their business in the Ordinary Course of Business (taking into account Sellers' status as debtors-in-possession), including (A) to maintain and preserve the Potential Acquired Assets in their condition as of October 15, 2018 (including by using commercially reasonable efforts to comply with instructions from Buyer as to the renewal (or lack of renewal) of each Lease and other Potential Transferred Agreement that comes up for renewal), other than reasonable wear and tear, casualty and condemnation (which shall be governed by Section 12.3), and sales of Inventory in the Ordinary Course of Business, (B) by using

commercially reasonable efforts to cause the landlord under the respective Leases and any applicable counterparty under the Outbound IP Licenses and any other Potential Transferred Agreements to perform such parties' covenants, agreements and obligations under the respective Leases, Outbound IP Licenses and other Potential Transferred Agreements and (C) managing Inventory in the Ordinary Course of Business, including with regard to Inventory in transit and Inventory located in distribution centers (and for the avoidance of doubt, Sellers shall not delay taking delivery of Inventory that would be Acquired Inventory on the Closing Date if delivery of such Inventory were managed in the Ordinary Course of Business prior to the Closing Date: provided, that Sellers shall be permitted to reasonably manage the amount of Inventory in consultation with Buyer in order to satisfy the condition set forth in Section 10.9 and Section 10.10 as of the Closing). Sellers shall promptly notify Buyer of (x) any notice or other written communication from any Person alleging that the consent of such Person is or may be required in connection with the consummation of the Transactions; and (y) the commencement of any material Proceedings related to the business conducted by Sellers, the Designations Rights or the Potential Acquired Assets; provided, however, that the delivery of any notice pursuant to this Section 8.1(a) will not (A) limit or otherwise affect any remedies available to Buyer or Sellers, or (B) be deemed to amend or supplement any Schedule or prevent or cure any misrepresentations or breach of representation or warranty.

- (b) Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, from the date hereof and prior to the Closing, Sellers covenant and agree:
 - (i) not to sell, lease (as lessor), license (as licensor), transfer or otherwise dispose of, or mortgage or pledge, or voluntarily impose or suffer to be imposed any Encumbrance (other than Permitted Pre-Closing Encumbrances) on, any Potential Acquired Assets (excluding the Acquired Intellectual Property and Acquired Data, which are addressed below), other than sales of Inventory in the Ordinary Course of Business;
 - (ii) not to assign, transfer, otherwise dispose of or convey any Patent, Trademark, registered or applied-for Copyright or Domain Name included in the Acquired Intellectual Property, or any other material Acquired Intellectual Property or any Acquired Data, except, with respect to the purging of any Acquired Data, as required by the consumer privacy ombudsman or the Bankruptcy Court; provided Sellers provide Buyer written notice describing the steps that Sellers plan to take in order to accomplish such requirement, at least five (5) Business Days prior to any response that would violate this covenant absent such requirement;
 - (iii) not to allow to lapse, abandon, cancel, fail to renew or fail to continue to prosecute, protect or defend any (A) Patent, Trademark, registered or applied-for Copyright or Domain Name included in the Acquired Intellectual Property, or any other material Acquired Intellectual Property, in each case, other than registered Trademarks (x) that Sellers have ceased to use and intend not to resume use of and (y) that have entered the grace period for renewal, or (B) Acquired Data, except, with respect to the purging of any Acquired Data, as required by the consumer privacy ombudsman or the Bankruptcy Court; provided Sellers provide Buyer written notice describing the steps that Sellers plan to take

in order to accomplish such requirement, at least five (5) Business Days prior to any response that would violate this covenant absent such requirement;

- (iv) not to license or grant any Person any rights to any Acquired Intellectual Property or any Acquired Data (other than, in each case, non-exclusive licenses granted to customers, vendors, suppliers and other service providers of Sellers to the extent necessary for their respective use of the products and services of Sellers or for the provision of services to Sellers in connection therewith and entered into in the Ordinary Course of Business);
- (v) not to modify any privacy policies, notices or statements in a manner that
 (A) limits the ability or right of a Seller to sell and transfer the Acquired Data to Buyer, or
 (B) limits the use of the Acquired Data by Buyer after the Closing;
- (vi) not to settle, pay, discharge or satisfy any material Action that, in each case, would constitute a Potential Acquired Asset (for the avoidance of doubt, other than any Excluded Assets) or Assumed Liability where such settlement, payment, discharge or satisfaction would impose any restrictions or limitations upon the operation of Sellers' business or any Acquired Assets, whether before or after the Closing Date;
- (vii) not to cancel or compromise any claim or waive or release any right related to any Potential Acquired Asset (for the avoidance of doubt, other than any Excluded Assets);
- (viii) except as required by <u>Section 8.1(a)</u> or permitted under <u>Section 8.1(b)(iv)</u> with respect to Outbound IP Licenses, not to amend, supplement, modify, terminate or enter into any Leases, Outbound IP Licenses (under which a Seller is a licensor) or other Potential Transferred Agreements;
- (ix) unless required by Law, not to take any action, without the consent of Buyer (which may not be unreasonably delayed, conditioned or denied), with respect to Taxes or Tax matters that is not in the Ordinary Course Of Business and that (A) would materially adversely affect the Potential Acquired Assets, the Properties, Business and the Assumed Liabilities or (B) otherwise could reasonably be expected to increase the Tax Liability of Buyer or any of its Affiliates;
- (x) to use commercially reasonable efforts to cause any applicable counterparty under the IP Licenses included in the Assigned Agreements to perform such party's covenants, agreements and obligations under such IP Licenses, including with respect to quality control;
- (xi) not to grant or terminate any other interests in any Potential Acquired Asset (other than sales of Inventory in the Ordinary Course of Business);
- (xii) not to seek or obtain an order approving rejection of a Lease or other Potential Transferred Agreement;

- (xiii) not to issue any gift cards, gift certificates, merchandise credits, return credits, customer membership or customer loyalty discount programs, coupons, groupons or other similar credits or programs at a discount or pursuant to any promotion that would result in any Seller receiving less than face value in such issuance;
- (xiv) not to (A) increase the annual level of compensation payable or to become payable by any Seller to any director or officer of any Seller, except in the Ordinary Course of Business, (B) increase the annual level of compensation payable or to become payable by any Seller to any other employee of any Seller, except in the Ordinary Course of Business, (C) grant any unusual or extraordinary bonus, benefit or other direct or indirect compensation to any director, officer or employee except as authorized by the Bankruptcy Court, (D) increase the coverage or benefits available under any (or create any new) Employee Plan (E) take any action (other than a termination of employment in accordance with clause (xiv) of this Section 8.1(b)), whether in writing or otherwise, that has or could reasonably be expected to have the effect of increasing in any manner the liability of the Buyer or any Seller for any severance or other post-termination payments or benefits otherwise payable or due to any individual or group of individuals, or otherwise enhancing, or accelerating the timing of, such payment or benefit or accelerating the funding thereof, or (F) enter into any employment, deferred compensation, severance, consulting, noncompetition or similar agreement to which any Seller is a party or involving a director. officer or employee of any Seller, except, in each case, as required by applicable Law from time to time in effect or by any of the Employee Plans as in effect on the date hereof;
- (xv) not to terminate the employment of any director, officer or employee of any Seller other than in the Ordinary Course of Business;
- (xvi) not to enter into, modify or terminate any labor or collective bargaining agreement or, through negotiation or otherwise, make any commitment or incur any liability to any labor organization with respect to any Potential Acquired Asset;
- (xvii) not to permit Sears Re to (A) pay any dividend or distribution, (B) issue any debt or equity securities or (C) take any of the actions described in this <u>Section 8.1(b)</u> with respect to its assets or Contracts; and
- (xviii) not to enter into any agreement or commitment to take any action prohibited by this Section 8.1(b).
- (c) Without in any way limiting any Party's rights or obligations under this Agreement, the Parties understand and agree that (i) nothing contained in this Agreement shall give Buyer, directly or indirectly, the right to control or direct the operations of Sellers, Sellers' business or the Properties prior to the applicable Closing Date and (ii) prior to the Closing Date, Sellers shall exercise, consistent with, and subject to, the terms and conditions of this Agreement, complete control and supervision over the operations of Sellers, the Business and the Properties to the extent permitted by Law, including taking into account Sellers' status as debtors-in-possession in the Bankruptcy Case. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, Sellers shall be permitted to take all actions that are necessary or desirable to comply with the WARN Act, including providing

any notices required under the WARN Act, and no such actions shall constitute a violation of this Section 8.1.

Section 8.2 <u>Bankruptcy Court Matters.</u>

- (a) Reserved.
- (b) <u>Bankruptcy Court Filings and Approvals.</u>
- (i) Buyer agrees that it will promptly furnish such affidavits or other documents or information for filing with the Bankruptcy Court as are reasonably requested by Sellers to assist Sellers in obtaining entry of the Approval Order, including a finding of adequate assurance of future performance by Buyer. Sellers shall provide Buyer with advance drafts of any motions, pleadings or Bankruptcy Court filings relating to the sale of the Acquired Assets or the Approval Order no later than two (2) Business Days prior to the date Sellers intend to file such motion, pleading or Bankruptcy Court filing to the extent practicable (or, to the extent not practicable, as soon as reasonably practicable prior to the filing of such pleading). Buyer may file or join in any motion, pleading or Bankruptcy Court filing in support or seeking approval of, and reply to any response or objection to, the sale of the Acquired Assets hereunder, and the Approval Order.
- (ii) Sellers shall file such motions or pleadings as may be appropriate or necessary to assume and assign the Assigned Agreements and to determine the amount of the Cure Costs; <u>provided</u>, that subject to Section 2.7, Section 2.9 and <u>Section 5.2</u>, nothing herein shall preclude Sellers from filing such motions, including from and after the Petition Date, to reject any Contracts that are not Assigned Agreements.
- (iii) This Agreement is subject to approval by the Bankruptcy Court and the consideration by Sellers of higher or better Competing Transactions.
- (iv) Sellers and Buyer acknowledge that Buyer (or any applicable Assignee) must provide adequate assurance of future performance under the Assigned Agreements to be assigned by Sellers, and Buyer hereby agrees to provide such adequate assurance to the extent required under the Bankruptcy Code and the Bidding Procedures Order, including by demonstrating financial wherewithal to pay Cure Costs.
- (v) Buyer and Sellers shall reasonably cooperate as requested by the consumer privacy ombudsman appointed in these Bankruptcy Cases and shall use commercially reasonable efforts to take actions recommended by such ombudsman pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 332 in any report authored by such ombudsman and approved or adopted by the Bankruptcy Court in the Approval Order.
- (vi) After entry of the Approval Order, Sellers shall not take any action which is intended to, or fail to take any action the intent of which failure to act is to, result in the reversal, voiding, modification or staying of the Approval Order.

- (vii) If applicable, Sellers shall cause any plan of reorganization or liquidation approved in the Bankruptcy Cases to permit assumption of Sellers' executory contracts and unexpired leases of real property through the end of the Designation Rights Period.
- (c) <u>Back-Up Bidder</u>. Sellers and Buyer agree that, in the event that Buyer is not the winning bidder at the Auction, if (i) Buyer submits the second highest or second best bid at the Auction or the terms of this Agreement constitute the second highest or best bid, and (ii) Sellers give written notice to Buyer on or before the tenth (10th) Business Day prior to the Outside Date, stating that Sellers (A) failed to consummate the sale of the Acquired Assets with the winning bidder, and (B) terminated the purchase agreement with the winning bidder, Buyer shall promptly consummate the Transactions upon the terms and conditions as set forth herein, including the Purchase Price.
- (d) <u>Bankruptcy Milestones</u>. The Parties will use reasonable best efforts to comply with the following milestones:
 - (i) to obtain entry of the Approval Order by the Bankruptcy Court on or before February 8, 2019 (subject to Bankruptcy Court availability).
 - (ii) to close the Transactions on or before February 19, 2019.

Section 8.3 <u>Registrations, Filings and Consents.</u>

- (a) Subject to the Parties' additional obligations under this Section 8.3, each Party shall use its respective reasonable best efforts and, as applicable, cooperate with the other Parties, to take, or cause to be taken, all appropriate action, and to do, or cause to be done, all things reasonably necessary, proper or advisable under Laws to consummate and make effective the Transactions, including using its respective reasonable best efforts (i) to fulfill all conditions to the other Party's obligation to effect the Closing in Article X, (ii) to execute, acknowledge and deliver in proper form any further documents, certificates, agreements and other writings, and take such other action as such other Party may reasonably require, in order to effectively carry out the intent of the Transaction Documents, (iii) to make or cause to be made all registrations, filings, notifications, submissions and applications with, to give all notices to and to obtain any consents, governmental transfers, approvals, orders, qualifications and waivers from any Governmental Authority necessary for the consummation of the Transactions and (iv) not take any action that could reasonably be expected to have the effect of delaying, impairing or impeding the receipt of any such consents, approvals or waivers.
- (b) The Parties shall duly file with the FTC and the Antitrust Division the notification and report forms (each an "HSR Filing"), that may be required under the HSR Act necessary to consummate the Transactions, as promptly as possible and in no event later than January 18, 2019, including with respect to Buyer causing to be filed by its Affiliates and interest holders any HSR Filings necessary to consummate the Transactions. If an HSR Filing is required, each Party shall cooperate with the other Party to the extent necessary to assist the other Party in the preparation of its HSR Filing, to request early termination of the waiting period required by the HSR Act with respect to the HSR Filing and, if requested, to promptly amend or furnish additional information

under its HSR Filing. Each Party shall as promptly as practicable comply with any Laws that are applicable to any of the Transactions and pursuant to which any consent, approval, order or authorization of, or registration, declaration or filing with, any Governmental Authority is necessary. Subject to applicable Laws and the preservation of any applicable attorney-client privilege, the Parties shall promptly furnish to each other all such information as is necessary to prepare any such registration, declaration or filing. The Parties shall have joint decision-making authority with respect to the strategy for obtaining any necessary consents, approvals, orders or authorizations from any Governmental Authority, including under any Antitrust Laws. Neither Buyer nor Sellers, nor their respective counsel, shall independently participate in any substantive call or meeting with any Governmental Authority regarding the Transactions without giving the other Party or its counsel prior notice of such call or meeting and, to the extent permitted by such Governmental Authority, the opportunity to attend and/or participate. In furtherance of the foregoing and to the extent permitted by applicable Law: (i) each Party shall notify the other, as far in advance as practicable, of any material or substantive communication or inquiry it or any of its Affiliates or Subsidiaries intends to make with any Governmental Authority relating to the matters that are the subject of this Section 8.3; (ii) prior to submitting or making any such communication or inquiry, such Party shall provide the other Party and its counsel a reasonable opportunity to review, and shall consider in good faith the comments of the other Party in connection with, any such communication or inquiry; (iii) promptly following the submission or making such communication or inquiry, provide the other Party with a copy of any such communication or inquiry, if in written form; and (iv) consult with the other Party in connection with any inquiry, hearing, investigation or litigation by, or negotiations with, any Governmental Authority relating to the Transactions, including the scheduling of, and strategic planning for, any meetings with any Governmental Authority relating thereto. In exercising the foregoing cooperation rights, Buyer and Sellers each shall act reasonably and as promptly as reasonably practicable. Notwithstanding the foregoing, materials provided pursuant to this Section 8.3 may be reasonably redacted (A) to remove references concerning the valuation of the Transactions, (B) as necessary to comply with contractual arrangements, (C) as necessary to address reasonable privilege concerns or (D) as otherwise required by Law. The Parties shall bear their own costs and expenses incurred with respect to the preparation of their respective filings contemplated in this Section 8.3(b), provided, however, that Buyer shall pay the filing fees, if any, in connection therewith.

- (c) Each of Seller and Buyer agrees that it will (and will cause its Affiliates to), if necessary to enable the Parties to consummate the Transactions, use reasonable best efforts to defend against any Actions that would prevent, delay or challenge the Transaction Documents or the consummation of the Transactions, including by seeking to vacate or reverse any temporary restraining order, preliminary injunction or other legal restraint or prohibition entered or imposed (or which becomes reasonably foreseeable to be entered or imposed) by any court or other Governmental Authority that is not yet final and nonappealable, in order that the Transactions shall occur as promptly as reasonably practicable and in any event no later than the Outside Date.
- (d) Buyer shall, at Buyer's sole cost, take, or cause to be taken, any and all actions and do, or cause to be done, any and all things necessary, proper or advisable to avoid, eliminate and resolve each and every impediment and obtain all Consents required to permit the satisfaction of the conditions in Section 10.4, Section 10.5, Section 11.3, and Section 11.4, as promptly as

reasonably practicable and in any event no later than the Outside Date, including by offering and causing its Affiliates to offer to: (i) sell or otherwise dispose of, or hold separate and agree to sell or otherwise dispose of specific assets or categories of assets or businesses constituting the Business or any of the Acquired Assets or any other assets or businesses owned by Buyer or its Affiliates; (ii) terminate any existing relationships and contractual rights and obligations of Buyer or its Affiliates including, after the Closing, the Business or any of the Acquired Assets; (iii) amend or terminate such existing licenses or other intellectual property agreements and to enter into such new licenses or other intellectual property agreements; (iv) take any and all actions and make any and all behavioral commitments, whether or not they limit or modify Buyer's or its Affiliates' rights of ownership in, or ability to conduct the business of, one or more of its or their operations, divisions, businesses, product lines, customers or assets, including, after the Closing, the Business or any of the Acquired Assets; and (v) enter into agreements, including with the relevant Governmental Authority, giving effect to the foregoing clauses (i) through (iv) (such actions in clauses (i) through (v), "Antitrust Actions"); provided, that such Antitrust Actions are conditioned upon and become effective only from and after the Closing. In furtherance of the foregoing, prior to the Closing, Buyer shall keep Sellers reasonably informed of all matters, discussions and activities relating to any of the matters described in or contemplated by clauses (i) through (v) of this Section 8.3(d).

(e) Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, neither Buyer nor Seller, without the other Party's prior written consent, shall (i) enter into any timing, settlement or similar agreement, or otherwise agree or commit to any arrangement that would have the effect of extending, suspending, lengthening or otherwise tolling the expiration or termination of the waiting period applicable to the Transactions under the HSR Act or any Antitrust Laws, or (ii) enter into any timing or similar agreement, or otherwise agree or commit to any arrangement, that would bind or commit the Parties not to complete the Transactions (or that would otherwise prevent or prohibit the Parties from completing the Transactions).

Section 8.4 Financing Assistance; Additional Information.

From the date hereof to earlier of (x) the date this Agreement is terminated in accordance with its terms and (y) the Closing Date, Sellers shall provide to Buyer and shall use reasonable best efforts to cause its officers, employees and advisors to provide to Buyer, such cooperation as is customary for financings of the type contemplated by the Debt Commitment Letters and as is reasonably requested by Buyer in connection with arranging and obtaining the Debt Financing, which cooperation includes using reasonable best efforts to (i) cause the participation by one or more representatives of senior management in a reasonable number of meetings, due diligence sessions and presentations upon reasonable prior notice and in reasonably convenient locations, (ii) reasonably assist Buyer and the ABL Financing Sources with the preparation of (A) one or more customary bank information memoranda (and, to the extent necessary, additional information memoranda that do not include material non-public information), (B) customary materials for rating agency presentations, (C) syndication materials, (D) lender presentations and (E) other customary marketing and similar documents, each in connection with the syndication and marketing of the ABL Financing (including customary authorization and representation letters), (iii) furnish to Buyer and the ABL Financing Sources, on a timely basis, the Required Information and such other customary financial and other pertinent

information regarding Sellers (including information regarding the business, operations and financial projections thereof) as may be reasonably requested by Buyer to assist in the preparation of a customary confidential information memorandum or other customary information documents used in financings of the type contemplated by the ABL Commitment Letter, (iv) cooperate with the Buyer's and the ABL Financing Sources' reasonable evaluation of the applicable Sellers for the purpose of establishing collateral arrangements (including conducting, at the Buyer's sole cost and expense, appraisals and field audits contemplated by the ABL Commitment Letter and providing information reasonably requested with respect to inventory, receivables, cash management and accounting systems, deposit accounts and related assets and procedures), in each case, to the extent customary in asset-based revolving credit facilities (including by providing Buyer and the Financing Sources with reasonable and customary access to the books and records, properties and applicable representatives of Sellers), (v) (A) reasonably cooperate with the marketing efforts of Buyer and the Financing Sources for any portion of the Debt Financing and (B) ensure that the syndication efforts for the ABL Financing benefit materially from the existing banking relationships of the Sellers, (vi) permit the use by Buyer and its Affiliates of the Sellers' logos and/or Trademarks included in the Acquired Assets in connection with the syndication of the Debt Financing, provided that such logos and/or marks are used in a manner that is not intended, or reasonably likely, to harm or disparage Sellers, (vii) cause the taking of corporate actions by the Sellers that are necessary to permit the consummation of the Financing on the Closing Date as are reasonably requested by Buyer, (viii) facilitate the release and termination, effective upon the Closing, of liens and security interests, including obtaining customary release letters (including delivery of draft Payoff Letters at least three (3) Business Days prior to the anticipated Closing Date), lien terminations and releases and other similar documents as may reasonably be requested by Buyer and (ix) execute and deliver any documents as reasonably requested by Buyer as are customary in financings of such type and as are accurate, and otherwise facilitate the pledging of and granting, recording and perfection of security interests in share certificates, securities and other collateral (including releasing any Liens on the Acquired Assets in connection with any existing indebtedness of Sellers) and the obtaining of appraisals, surveys and title insurance as reasonably requested by Buyer; it being understood and agreed that (A) no such corporate action will take effect prior to the Closing and (B) any such corporate action will only be required of the directors, members, partners, managers or officers of the Sellers who retain their respective positions as of the Closing; provided that no obligation of Sellers shall be effective until the Closing Date; provided, however, that nothing herein shall require Sellers to (A) waive or amend any terms of this Agreement or cause any condition to Closing set forth in Article X to not be satisfied or otherwise cause any breach of this Agreement, (B) authorize, execute, and/or deliver any certificate, document or instrument pursuant to the Debt Financing that will be effective prior to the Closing Date, (C) take any action that would conflict with any applicable Law, the organizational documents of Sellers or result in the contravention of, or would reasonably be expected to result in the violation or breach of, or default under, any Material Contract to which any of Sellers is a party or (D) prepare, assist in the preparation of, or otherwise provide any information that is not in the possession or control of Sellers or any other information to the extent such disclosure (x) may result in a waiver of attorney-client privilege, work product doctrine or similar privilege, provided that Sellers shall use reasonable best efforts to provide such information in a form or manner that would not waive such legal privilege (including by redacting or otherwise

not disclosing any portion thereof the disclosure of which would jeopardize such privilege) or (y) would violate any confidentiality obligation of Sellers.

(b) Sellers shall not be required to pay any commitment fees or other fees or make any other payment (other than reasonable out-of-pocket costs) or incur any other liability or provide or agree to provide any indemnity in connection with the Debt Financing or any of the foregoing that would be effective prior to the Closing. Buyer shall promptly reimburse Sellers for all out-of-pocket costs and expenses (including attorneys' fees) incurred by Sellers or any of their Affiliates in connection with the cooperation of the Sellers contemplated by this Section 8.4 and shall indemnify and hold harmless Sellers, their Affiliates and their respective representatives from and against any and all losses suffered or incurred by any of them of any type in connection with the arrangement of any Financing and any information used in connection therewith, except in the event such loss or damage arises out of or results from the gross negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith by Sellers or their Affiliates or, in each case, their respective representatives.

Section 8.5 Financing.

Buyer shall use its reasonable best efforts to take, or cause to be taken, all actions and to do, or cause to be done, as promptly as possible, all things necessary, advisable or desirable to (i) satisfy on a timely basis all terms, conditions, representations and warranties applicable to Buyer set forth in the Commitment Letters (including any flex provisions) (or, if deemed advisable by Buyer, seek a waiver of conditions applicable to Buyer contained in the Commitment Letters) (and, for the avoidance of doubt, this clause (i) shall have no effect where the failure to satisfy such terms, conditions, representations and warranties results directly from the Sellers' failure to furnish the Required Information or breach of their obligations hereunder in a manner that would cause the condition in Section 10.2 not to be satisfied), (ii) maintain in effect the Commitment Letters through the Closing Date (as such may be amended, supplemented, modified and replaced in accordance with the terms hereof), (iii) negotiate and enter into Debt Financing Documents and enforce its rights under the Debt Commitment Letters (other than pursuant to any Action taken prior to the satisfaction or waiver of the conditions set forth in Article X and Article XI hereunder) and (iv) upon satisfaction of the conditions set forth in the Commitment Letters, consummate the Financing at the Closing; provided, however, that, if all or any portion of funds in the amounts and on the terms set forth in the Debt Commitment Letters become, or would be reasonably expected to become, unavailable to Buyer on the terms and conditions set forth therein (including any "flex" provisions related thereto) and such portion is reasonably required to fund the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and all fees, expenses and other amounts contemplated to be paid (or caused to be paid) by Buyer pursuant to this Agreement, in each case other than as a result of a breach by Sellers of any representation, warranty or covenant contained in this agreement in a manner that would cause the conditions in Section 10.1 or Section 10.2 not to be satisfied, Buyer shall use its reasonable best efforts to obtain substitute alternative financing (the "Alternative Financing") for all or such portion of such funds to the extent so unavailable, (i) in amounts and otherwise on terms and conditions no less favorable to Buyer than as set forth in the applicable Debt Commitment Letter and (ii) that does not expand upon the conditions precedent or contingencies to funding the Financing on the Closing Date as set forth in the applicable Debt Commitment Letter or Debt Financing Documents with respect to the Alternative Financing; provided, further, that, if Buyer proceeds with Alternative Financing, it shall be subject to the same obligations with respect to such Alternative Financing as set forth in this <u>Section 8.5</u> as with respect to the Debt Financing. For the avoidance of doubt, references to the "<u>Debt Commitment Letter</u>" shall include such document as permitted or required by this <u>Section 8.5</u> for such Alternative Financing from the time of such substitution.

Buyer shall provide prompt written notice of (i) any material breach or default (or any event or circumstance that, with or without notice, lapse of time or both, would reasonably be expected to give rise to any material breach or default) by Buyer under the Commitment Letters. or to the knowledge of Buyer, any other party to the Commitment Letters or definitive agreement related thereto and (ii) receipt by Buyer of any written notice or other written communication from any party to the Commitment Letters with respect to any actual or threatened material breach, default, termination or repudiation by any party to the Commitment Letters or any definitive agreement related thereto or any provision of the Financing or any definitive agreement related thereto (including any proposal by any Financing Source to withdraw, terminate, reduce the amount of financing necessary to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby or materially delay the timing of the financing contemplated by Commitment Letters). Buyer shall not consent to (i) any replacement, amendment or waiver of any provision or remedy under any Commitment Letter (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any provision of any fee letter or engagement letter related thereto) without Sellers' prior written consent if such replacement, amendment or waiver (A) reduces the aggregate amount of the Financing (including by changing the amount of fees to be paid or original issue discount thereof, unless, in the case of the Debt Commitment Letters, any such change is matched from Alternative Financing to the extent required or permitted pursuant to Section 8.5(a)), unless such portion is not reasonably required to fund the transactions contemplated by this Agreement or (B) imposes new or additional conditions precedent or changes the conditions precedent to the Financing or otherwise changes the terms of the Financing, in each case, in a manner that would reasonably be expected to delay in any material respect or prevent the Closing or make the funding of the Financing materially less likely to occur or adversely impact in any material respect Buyer's ability to enforce its rights under any such Commitment Letter or to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby (for the avoidance of doubt, it is understood that, subject to the limitations set forth in this Section 8.5, Buyer may amend the Debt Commitment Letters to add lenders, lead arrangers, bookrunners, syndication agents or similar entities, but if and only if the addition of such additional parties, individually or in the aggregate, and together with any amendments or modifications to such Debt Commitment Letter in connection therewith, would not result in the occurrence of a modification to such Commitment Letter prohibited by this clause (i)) and (ii) termination of such Commitment Letter prior to the Closing Date (unless, in the case of the Debt Commitment Letter, Buyer has arranged for Alternative Financing to the extent permitted or required by Section 8.5(a)). Buyer shall provide to Sellers copies of any commitment letter associated with a replacement Financing or Alternative Financing as well as any amendment or waiver of any Commitment Letter. For the avoidance of doubt, references to "Commitment Letter" shall include as such Commitment Letter is modified in accordance with this Section 8.5(b) from the time of such modification.

Section 8.6 <u>Trade Payables</u>. The Sellers shall make all payments in respect of payables of the Business (including rent payments and sales taxes) arising from the date of this Agreement until the Closing Date in all material respects on a timely basis and shall otherwise manage the accounts payable of the business in accordance with the Sellers' cash management policies and

practices (as in effect prior to the Petition Date) in the Ordinary Course of Business; provided that Seller's obligations pursuant to this <u>Section 8.6</u> with respect to taxes are limited to taxes that are not Assumed Liabilities. Within fourteen (14) days following the date hereof, the Sellers shall deliver to Buyer an initial report containing an aging report for all payables of the Business allocated by vendor. For the period following the date of this Agreement until the Closing Date, Sellers shall make their employees and advisors (including the Chief Restructuring Officer) reasonably available (during business hours) upon reasonable advance notice from Buyer to answer any questions Buyer may have, and provide such additional information Buyer may reasonably request, with respect to any accrued payables of the Business.

Section 8.7 <u>SHIP Purchase Agreement</u>. From the date hereof until the earlier of (a) the SHIP Closing or (b) any Termination (as defined in the SHIP Purchase Agreement), Sellers shall not amend or modify the SHIP Purchase Agreement or waive any rights under the SHIP Purchase Agreement without the prior written consent of Buyer.

Section 8.8 <u>Transition Services Agreement; Management Services Agreement.</u>

- (a) The Parties shall work together in good faith and use their respective reasonable best efforts to agree as to the terms of, and execute, a transition services agreement pursuant to which Sellers shall provide Buyer and Buyer shall provide Sellers, as applicable, with certain services for a transitional period following the Closing Date.
- To the extent permitted by applicable Law, during the Management Services Period, the applicable Sellers shall remain the manager, controller or operator of each Acquired Property, Occupancy Leased Premise and Sparrow Property solely to the limited extent required for any Permit applicable to such Acquired Property, Occupancy Leased Premise or Sparrow Property (in the case of the Sparrow Properties, solely to the extent of any Sellers' rights related to the Sparrow Properties) to remain effective (the "Management Services"). Notwithstanding the foregoing, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable Law, each of the Sellers hereby appoints Buyer and its Affiliated Designees as agent of such Seller to manage, control and operate each of (i) the Acquired Properties, (ii) Occupancy Leased Premises and (iii) the Sparrow Properties (in the case of the Sparrow Properties, solely to the extent of any Sellers' rights related to the Sparrow Properties) at which Management Services are being provided (collectively, the "Managed Properties"). Pursuant to their appointment as Sellers' agent, Buyer and its Affiliated Designees shall be entitled to manage, control and operate each of the Managed Properties as they see fit in their sole discretion and collect and retain all revenues generated by each Managed Property. In furtherance thereof, the Parties acknowledge and agree that Sellers shall have no economic interest in the Managed Properties other than the right to receive the Management Services Reimbursements. As consideration for the provision of the Management Services, Buyer shall reimburse Sellers, or cause Sellers to be reimbursed, for any reasonable and documented out-ofpocket costs, fees and expenses incurred at any time in providing the Management Services, including any income and other taxes incurred by Seller and its Subsidiaries in respect of the payment and receipt of such reimbursement (the "Management Services Reimbursements") and indemnify the Sellers from any Liability arising from the provision of the Management Services, except for any such Liability arising from gross negligence or willful misconduct of the Sellers. For the avoidance of doubt, all employees of the Managed Properties shall be employed by Buyer

or its Affiliated Designee and no Seller shall have any authority to take action as an employer with respect to any such employee or to enter into any Contract on behalf of Buyer or any Affiliated Designee.

Section 8.9 Sparrow Rent. Sellers shall pay on the Closing Date all accrued and unpaid rent to each of SRC O.P. LLC, SRC Facilities LLC and SRC Real Estate (TX), LLC that are not "dark" stores. All parties rights with respect to rent at the "dark" stores shall be reserved.

ARTICLE IX

ADDITIONAL AGREEMENTS

Section 9.1 Access to Information. Sellers agree that, prior to the Closing Date, Buyer shall be entitled, through its officers, employees and representatives (including legal advisors, Financing Sources, consultants, appraisers and accountants), to make such investigation of the properties (including non-invasive environmental site assessments), businesses and operations of Sellers' businesses (including any of the Properties) and such examination of the Books and Records of Sellers' businesses, the Acquired Assets and the Assumed Liabilities as is reasonable (and reasonably requested) and to make extracts and copies of such Books and Records. Any such investigation and examination shall be conducted in a reasonable manner (and shall not unreasonably interfere with the operations of Sellers), during regular business hours upon reasonable advance notice and under reasonable circumstances and shall be subject to any applicable restrictions under applicable Law. Sellers shall cause the officers, employees, consultants, agents, accountants, attorneys and other representatives of Sellers to reasonably cooperate with Buyer and Buyer's representatives in connection with such investigation and examination, and Buyer and Buyer's representatives shall reasonably cooperate with Sellers and Sellers' representatives and Buyer and Buyer's representatives shall, at all times and at the discretion of Sellers, take all reasonable measures to minimize any disruption to Sellers' business. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, no such investigation or examination shall be permitted to the extent that it would (x) require any Seller to disclose information subject to attorney-client privilege, provided that Sellers shall use reasonable best efforts to provide information in response to such an investigation or examination in a form or manner that would not waive such attorney-client privilege (including by redacting or otherwise not disclosing any portion thereof the disclosure of which would jeopardize such privilege) or (y) conflict with any confidentiality obligations to which the Sellers or any of their Subsidiaries are bound.

Section 9.2 <u>Tax-Related Undertakings and Characterization of the Transaction.</u>

(a) Unless Buyer makes the election under <u>Section 2.12(b)</u> to treat all the transactions described in <u>Article II</u> as Designated Sale Transactions (resulting in no transfer of Sellers' Tax attributes to Buyer): (1) Buyer shall provide to Sellers detailed instructions as to steps to take (or not take) in order to secure and preserve the qualification of any of the transactions set forth in this Agreement as a Tax Reorganization (except if and to the extent Buyer determines otherwise, in accordance with Section 2.12(b), in respect of a given transaction or a particular Seller) and to achieve the Tax Result, including, without limitation, with respect to (i) repayment, cancellation or settlement of, or other actions with respect to, intercompany accounts after the approval of the

Bankruptcy Plan and on or before the Closing Date, (ii) the merger of any of Sellers' Subsidiaries with another Sellers' Subsidiaries after the approval of the Bankruptcy Plan and on or before the Closing Date or conversion of any of Sellers' Subsidiaries into limited liability companies with effect after the approval of the Bankruptcy Plan and on or before the Closing Date, (iii) the filing of any Tax elections to treat any such Subsidiaries as disregarded entities for U.S. federal income tax purposes with effect after the approval of the Bankruptcy Plan and on or before the Closing Date or otherwise taking such action to establish that such Subsidiaries have liquidated for tax purposes after the approval of the Bankruptcy Plan and on or before the Closing Date, (iv) implementation of the Distribution Requirement in a manner that is consistent with section 507 of the Bankruptcy Code, (v) satisfaction of the ownership requirements set forth in section 382(1)(5)(A)(ii) of the Code, and (vi) any other instructions that in the reasonable opinion of tax counsel for Buyer are necessary or desirable to ensure the qualification of the Tax Reorganization and the achievement of the Tax Result, and Sellers shall follow such instructions; provided that (A) such instructions shall not limit Sellers' discretion or actions in respect of (x) operating the Business and its other Assets in the Ordinary Course of Business and in compliance with the other provisions of this Agreement for all periods through the Closing Date, (y) disposing of any of its Assets if and to the extent permitted under the other provisions of this Agreement (z) taking or refraining from taking any action required by this Agreement or under the law, including if such actions would be inconsistent with its obligations under the Bankruptcy Code, (B) if requested by Sellers, Buyer's tax counsel shall deliver to Sellers a Tax Opinion that each and any such transaction (other than any Designated Sale Transactions) qualifies as a Tax Reorganization, and (C) nothing herein shall affect Buyer's liability for Taxes that are Assumed Liabilities; (2) subject to the preceding clause (1), Sellers agree to cooperate with Buyer in order that, for federal income Tax purposes, the transactions effected pursuant to this Agreement, together with the distributions made by, and liquidation of, Sellers pursuant to the Bankruptcy Plan, are treated as one or more plans of reorganization under section 368 of the Code and as qualifying as one or more reorganizations under section 368(a)(1)(G) of the Code (except if and to the extent Buyer determines otherwise, in accordance with Section 2.12(b), in respect of a given transaction or a particular Seller); and (3) any Tax Return in respect of a Tax imposed on any Seller for which Buyer is liable hereunder shall be prepared by Buyer, a copy of such Tax Return shall be provided to SHC at least thirty (30) days prior to the due date thereof, Buyer shall consider in good faith any reasonable comments provided by Sellers, Sellers shall, if necessary for filing, properly execute any such Tax Return, and Buyer shall timely and properly file any such Tax Return and pay the amount of any Taxes shown due on any such Tax Return.

- (b) Sellers agree that (i) Buyer will suffer irreparable damage and harm in the event that any Seller does not comply with Section 9.2(a) or any instructions properly given by Buyer thereunder and that, although monetary damages may be available for such a breach, monetary damages would be an inadequate remedy therefor and (ii) Buyer shall be entitled to an injunction or injunctions against any non-compliance with, and to seek specific performance of, the agreements and covenants set forth in Section 9.2(a) and any instructions properly given by Buyer thereunder.
- (c) Buyer (or its regarded owner for U.S. federal income Tax purposes, if applicable) shall make (if not previously made) a valid election, effective on or prior to the Closing Date, to be classified as an association taxable as a corporation for U.S. federal income Tax purposes

(unless one or more Affiliated Designees shall acquire all of the Acquired Assets and assume all of the Assumed Liabilities). Buyer shall cause any Affiliated Designee (or its regarded owner for U.S. federal income Tax purposes, if applicable) to be classified as a corporation or an association taxable as a corporation for U.S. federal income Tax purposes at all times during the period beginning on the Closing Date and ending on the effective date of the Bankruptcy Plan.

- (d) For purposes of this Agreement, (x) Taxes (other than Property Taxes) imposed on or with respect to any the Acquired Assets, the Acquired Properties, the Business or the Assumed Liabilities with respect to a taxable period that commences on or prior to and ends after the Closing Date or the applicable Designation Assignment Date, as applicable (a "Straddle Period"), shall be allocated to the Pre-Assignment Tax Period based on a "closing of the books" method as of the end of the Closing Date or the applicable Designation Assignment Date, as applicable, and (y) Property Taxes for a Straddle Period shall be allocated to the Pre-Assignment Tax Period by multiplying the amount of such Property Taxes for the entire Straddle Period by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of days during the Straddle Period that are in the Pre-Assignment Tax Period and the denominator of which is the number of days in the entire Straddle Period.
- (e) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, from and after the Closing the Buyer will indemnify and hold each Seller (and its Affiliates) harmless from and against, and pay to such Seller (without duplication) the amount of any Taxes that are Assumed Liabilities.

Section 9.3 <u>Miscellaneous Tax Matters.</u>

- Any sales, use, property transfer or gains, documentary, stamp, registration, recording or similar Tax (including, for certainty, goods and services tax, harmonized sales tax and land transfer tax) imposed on or payable in connection with the sale, transfer, assignment, conveyance or delivery of the Designation Rights, the Acquired Assets or the Assumed Liabilities (or any Excluded Asset pursuant to Section 2.8(d)) ("Transfer Taxes") shall be borne solely by Buyer. Sellers and Buyer shall use reasonable efforts and cooperate in good faith in all matters relating to such Transfer Taxes (including with respect to the application of any exemption therefrom or reduction thereof). Buyer shall prepare and, except to the extent required by applicable Law to be filed by Sellers, Buyer shall file all necessary Tax Returns or other documents with respect to all such Transfer Taxes; provided, however, that in the event any such Tax Return requires execution by the other Party, the preparing Party shall prepare and deliver to the other Party a copy of such Tax Return at least three (3) Business Days before the due date thereof, and such other Party shall promptly execute such Tax Return and return it for filing. If Seller is required to file any such Tax Return, no later than three (3) Business Days before the due date of such Tax Return Buyer shall pay to Sellers the amount of Transfer Taxes shown on such Tax Return. Subject to the other provisions of this Agreement, the Parties shall reasonably cooperate with each other in any reasonable and lawful arrangement designed to minimize any applicable Transfer Taxes.
- (b) Buyer and Sellers agree to furnish or cause to be furnished to each other, upon request, as promptly as practicable, such information and assistance relating to the Acquired Assets, the Properties, the Business or the Assumed Liabilities as is reasonably necessary for the filing of all Tax Returns, the making of any election relating to Taxes, and the preparation,

prosecution or defense of or for any Tax Proceeding. Unless Buyer makes the election under Section 2.12(b) to treat all the transactions described in Article II as Designated Sale Transactions (resulting in no transfer of Sellers Tax attributes to Buyer), to the extent not addressed by the foregoing, Buyer and Sellers shall also furnish or cause to be furnished to each other all documentation and information of Sellers' or any of their Affiliates as reasonably requested in connection with (i) the treatment of the Transactions as one or more reorganizations under section 368 of the Code and/or in connection with qualifying for the application of section 382(1)(5) of the Code and (ii) the Tax basis, losses and credits (including carryovers), income, gains, deductions and other attributes or Tax items of Buyer or an Assignee that are dependent in whole or in part by the treatment of any such Tax item in any Pre-Assignment Tax Period. Any out-of-pocket expenses incurred in furnishing such information or assistance pursuant to this Section 9.3(b) shall be borne by the Party requesting it. Furthermore, except for any refund, asset or amount described in Section 2.2(h), Sellers shall pay (or cause to be paid) to Buyer any Tax refund actually received by Sellers or any Affiliate of Sellers that is an Acquired Asset, and any such refunds credited against future Taxes of the Sellers or their Subsidiaries (including any interest paid thereon and net of any reasonable out-of-pocket costs and any Taxes incurred in respect of the receipt thereof). Upon Buyer's reasonable request and at Buyer's sole cost and expense, Sellers shall (A) file (or cause to be filed) all Tax Returns (including amended Tax Returns) or other documents required to obtain such refunds and (B) take any such other action as may be reasonable and practicable to preserve Sellers' ability to file a refund claim for any Tax year. Any payments required to be made under this Section 9.3(b) shall be made in immediately available funds, to an account or accounts as directed by Buyer, within ten (10) days after the actual receipt of the refund or the application of any such refunds as a credit against a future tax of Sellers or any Affiliate of Sellers.

- (c) Buyer shall pay (or cause to be paid) to Sellers any Tax refund, asset or amount described in Section 2.2(h) that is actually received by any Subsidiary of any Seller that is an Acquired Asset, Buyer or any Affiliate of Buyer, and any such refunds or amount credited against future Taxes to which any Subsidiary of any Seller that is an Acquired Asset, Buyer or any Affiliate of Buyer become entitled (including any interest paid thereon and net of any reasonable out-of-pocket costs and any Taxes incurred in respect of the receipt thereof). Upon Sellers' reasonable request and at Sellers' sole cost and expense, Buyer shall (A) file (or cause to be filed) all Tax Returns (including amended Tax Returns) or other documents required to obtain such refunds and (B) take any such other action as may be reasonable and practicable to preserve Buyer's ability to file a refund claim for any Tax year. Any payments required to be made under this Section 9.3(c) shall be made in immediately available funds, to an account or accounts as directed by Sellers, within ten (10) days after the actual receipt of the refund or the application of any such refunds as a credit against a future tax of any Subsidiary of any Seller that is an Acquired Asset, Buyer or any Affiliate of Buyer.
- (d) As soon as practicable (and in any event within ninety (90) days) after the Closing Date, Buyer shall deliver to Sellers a schedule allocating the Purchase Price (including any Assumed Liabilities treated as consideration for the Acquired Assets for Tax purposes) (the "Allocation Schedule"). The Allocation Schedule shall allocate the Purchase Price among the Sellers and among the Acquired Assets acquired from each Seller, and shall be prepared in accordance with Section 1060 of the Code if Buyer makes the election under Section 2.12(b) to treat all the transactions described in Article II as Designated Sale Transactions (resulting in no

transfer of Sellers' Tax attributes to Buyer), and in any case shall be prepared in accordance with applicable law to the extent necessary to comply with reporting in respect of applicable Transfer Taxes. The Allocation Schedule shall be deemed final unless Sellers notify Buyer in writing that Sellers object to one or more items reflected in the Allocation Schedule within forty-five (45) days after delivery of the Allocation Schedule. In the event of any such objection, Buyer and Sellers shall negotiate in good faith to resolve such dispute; provided, however, that if Buyer and Sellers are unable to resolve any dispute with respect to the Allocation Schedule within sixty (60) days after the delivery of the Allocation Schedule, such dispute shall be resolved by the CPA Firm. The fees and expenses of the CPA Firm in connection therewith shall be borne equally by Buyer and Sellers. Each of Buyer and Sellers agrees to file its respective federal, state and local Tax returns in accordance with the Allocation Schedule, and any adjustments to the Purchase Price pursuant to this Section 9.3 shall be allocated in a manner consistent with the Allocation Schedule. For the avoidance of doubt, the Parties shall cooperate in determining the portion of the Purchase Price allocable to the Acquired Assets that are subject to a Transfer Tax prior to the due date of the Tax Return required to be filed in connection with such Transfer Taxes; provided, that if the parties do not agree with respect to such determination, such matter shall be resolved in accordance with the determination of the CPA Firm; provided further, that such Tax Return will be adjusted, as applicable, consistent with the procedures described above, to reflect any adjustments to the allocated Purchase Price.

Section 9.4 Payments Received. Sellers, on the one hand, and Buyer, on the other hand, each agree that, after the Closing, each will hold and will promptly transfer and deliver to the other, from time to time as and when received by them, any cash, checks with appropriate endorsements (using their best efforts not to convert such checks into cash) or other property that they may receive on or after the Closing which properly belongs to the other in accordance with the terms of this Agreement and will account to the other for all such receipts.

Section 9.5 Post-Closing Books and Records and Personnel. For twelve (12) months after the end of the Designation Rights Period, (a) neither Buyer nor any Seller shall dispose of or destroy any of the business records and files of the Properties or relating to any Acquired Assets and (b) Buyer and Sellers (including, for clarity, any trust established under a chapter 11 plan of Sellers or any other successors of Sellers) shall allow each other, any applicable Assignee and the Representatives of any of the foregoing reasonable access during normal business hours, and upon reasonable advance notice and to the extent permitted by applicable Law, to all employees, files, the Books and Records and other materials included in the Potential Acquired Assets for purposes relating to the Bankruptcy Case, the wind-down of the operations of Sellers, the functions of any such trusts or successors, or other reasonable business purposes, including Tax matters, litigation, or potential litigation, each as it relates to the Potential Acquired Assets or the Assumed Liabilities, and Buyer and Sellers (including any such trust or successors) and such Representatives shall have the right to make copies of any such files, books, records and other materials. In addition, from and after the Closing Date or the applicable Designation Assignment Date for a period of sixty (60) days, Sellers will permit Buyer, any applicable Assignee and their respective Representatives access to such personnel of Sellers during normal business hours as Buyer or any applicable Assignee may reasonably request to assist with the transfer of the applicable Acquired Assets (including any related Assigned Plans and Permits), provided that nothing in this Section 9.5 shall prohibit Sellers from ceasing operations or winding up their affairs following the end of the

Designation Rights Period. Following the end of the Designation Rights Period, nothing in the foregoing shall be construed to prevent Sellers from winding down their operations and dissolving their business entities as is determined by Sellers (in their sole discretion) to be in their best interests.

Section 9.6 <u>Confidentiality</u>.

- (a) The terms of the Confidentiality Agreement shall continue in full force and effect until the Closing, at which time Buyer's and Seller's obligations under the Confidentiality Agreement shall terminate.
- The Parties shall (i) treat and hold as confidential all Confidential Information of the other Parties and their Affiliates (which, as such term is used in this Section 9.6(b) shall mean the information provided to the receiving Party by or on behalf of a disclosing Party in connection with this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents and the Transactions) and (ii) not disclose any such Confidential Information a disclosing Party to any other Person without the prior written consent of such disclosing Party, in each case for so long as such information remains Confidential Information. In the event any receiving Party is requested or required (by oral or written request for information or documents in any legal proceeding, interrogatory, subpoena, civil investigative demand or similar process or by applicable Law) to disclose any Confidential Information of a disclosing Party provided in accordance with this Section 9.6(b), then such receiving Party shall, to the extent legally permitted, notify the disclosing Party promptly of the request or requirement so the disclosing Party, at its expense, may seek an appropriate protective Order or waive compliance with this Section 9.6(b). If, in the absence of a protective Order or receipt of a waiver hereunder, the receiving Party is, on the advice of counsel, compelled to disclose such Confidential Information, the applicable receiving Party may so disclose such Confidential Information; provided that the applicable receiving Party shall use commercially reasonable efforts to obtain reliable assurance that confidential treatment will be accorded to such Confidential Information. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the provisions of this Section 9.6(b) shall not prohibit the disclosure of Confidential Information by the receiving Party to the extent reasonably required (i) to comply with applicable Law or any regulatory authority or selfregulatory organization having jurisdiction or of which a Party is a member, (ii) in connection with asserting any rights or remedies or performing any obligations under this Agreement or any of the Transaction Documents or (iii) to such Party's Affiliates and Representatives. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the provisions of this Section 9.6(b) shall not apply to information that (A) is or becomes publicly available other than as a result of a disclosure by any receiving Party in violation of this Agreement, (B) is or becomes available to a receiving Party on a non-confidential basis from a source that, to the receiving Party's knowledge, is not prohibited from disclosing such information by a legal, contractual or fiduciary obligation, or (C) is or has been independently developed by a receiving Party. For the avoidance of doubt, following the Closing, all Confidential Information relating to the Business, the Acquired Assets or the Assumed Liabilities shall be deemed to be Confidential Information of Buyer.

Section 9.7 <u>Employment Offers</u>.

- (a) Buyer shall make an offer of employment to any Business Employee represented by a labor union and whose terms and conditions of employment are covered by a collective bargaining agreement ("Represented Employees") using reasonable best efforts to comply with the requirements of any such collective bargaining agreement. For any Business Employee not represented by a labor union ("Non-Represented Employees"), Buyer shall, or shall cause any of its Subsidiaries to, (i) no later than five (5) days prior to the Closing Date, use reasonable best efforts to provide a written offer of employment in a comparable position to, effective as of 11:59 p.m., local time, on the Closing Date each of such Business Employees, or (ii) to the extent required by and in accordance with applicable Law, enter into employment agreements with each of such Business Employees. Those Business Employees, including both Represented Employees and Non-Represented Employees, who accept such offer of employment on or before the Closing Date in accordance with the provisions of such offer and continue employment with Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries, shall be referred to as "Transferred Employees."
- (b) Subject to the last sentence of this Section 9.7(b) and except as otherwise expressly provided in this Section 9.7(b), with respect to each Transferred Employee who remains employed by Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries, Buyer shall, or shall cause any of its Subsidiaries to, provide for the period commencing on the Closing Date and ending on the last day of the Sellers' fiscal year ending in 2020, subject to such Transferred Employee's continued employment with Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries (as applicable) (i) (A) base salary or hourly wage rate and (B) a target short-term cash incentive opportunity, in each of (A) and (B), that is at least equal to the base salary or wages and target short-term cash incentive opportunity, respectively, provided to such Transferred Employee immediately prior to the Closing Date and (ii) a group health and welfare plan and, subject to and in accordance with Section 9.7(k), a 401(k) plan, qualified under Sections 401(a) and 401(k) of the Code ("401(k) Plan"), that are substantially comparable in the aggregate to the group health and welfare plan and 401(k) Plan under which such Transferred Employee participates as of the date hereof. For the avoidance of doubt, (x) the terms of this Section 9.7(b) shall apply notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any non-solicitation or similar agreement currently entered into by Buyer or any of its Affiliates and Sellers and (v) from and after the date hereof, no such non-solicitation or similar agreement by Buyer and any Seller or any affiliate thereof entered into prior to the date hereof shall prevent Buyer from hiring (or seeking to hire) any employee of Sellers. The Parties agree to cooperate in good faith to coordinate the establishment of benefit plans and arrangements so as to satisfy the obligations set forth in this Section 9.7(b)(ii).
- (c) Except as otherwise provided under the terms of the applicable Employee Plan, each Transferred Employee shall be given credit for all service with Sellers under all employee benefit plans, programs and policies and fringe benefits of the Business or Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries in which they become participants (i) for purposes of eligibility, participation, and vesting (but not benefit accruals), and (ii) with respect to any vacation and severance plans, programs or arrangements of Buyer or its Subsidiaries, for purposes of determining the level of benefits except to the extent such crediting would result in duplication of benefits with respect to the same period of service.

- If a Transferred Employee becomes eligible to participate in a medical, dental or health plan of Buyer (or its Subsidiaries), Buyer shall, or shall cause its Subsidiaries to, to the extent permitted by (x) applicable Law and (y) the terms of the applicable medical, dental or health plan of Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries in which the Transferred Employee participates following the Closing, cause the plan provider of such plan to (i) waive any preexisting condition limitations to the extent such pre-existing condition limitations would not have been applicable under the applicable medical, dental or health plans of Sellers as of immediately prior to the Closing Date and (ii) credit any complete or partial satisfaction of any deductible and out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Transferred Employee and his or her dependents under the applicable Seller's or its Subsidiaries' medical, dental or health plans during the portion of the calendar year in which the Closing Date occurs. Buyer agrees to use commercially reasonable efforts to cause a medical, dental and health plan provider to provide such waivers and credits contemplated by the first (1st) sentence of this Section 9.7(d). If a Transferred Employee becomes eligible to participate in a group term life insurance plan maintained by Buyer or its Subsidiaries, Buyer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause such plan to waive any medical certification for such Transferred Employee up to the amount of coverage the Transferred Employee had under the life insurance plan of Sellers (but subject to any limits on the maximum amount of coverage under Buyer's life insurance plan).
- (e) Except as required by Law or an applicable bargaining agreement or as otherwise agreed in writing by the Parties, Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries shall provide severance and other separation benefits to each Transferred Employee terminated by Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries within the period commencing on the Closing Date and ending on the last day of the Sellers' fiscal year ending in 2020 that are at least equal to the severance and other separation benefits provided by Seller and its Subsidiaries to such Transferred Employee as in effect immediately prior to the Petition Date, it being understood that such severance and other separation benefits do not include any long-term incentive, equity incentive, defined benefit pension or retiree welfare or life insurance benefits.
- (f) Except as prohibited by applicable Law, each offer letter shall provide that by accepting employment with Buyer the Business Employee is acknowledging that Buyer is assuming, and Buyer shall assume all vacation days and other paid time off accrued but not yet taken by each Transferred Employee through the Closing Date, in accordance with their terms as of the date hereof. To the extent that applicable Law prohibits a Transferred Employee's vacation from being assumed by Buyer and requires that a Transferred Employee to be paid for any vacation days and other paid time off accrued but not yet taken by such Transferred Employee as of the Closing Date without regard to any acknowledgement by such Transferred Employee to the contrary, Sellers shall pay each Transferred Employee for such vacation days.
- (g) Sellers agree to pay to the Transferred Employees any bonus (including any related payroll Taxes) that such Transferred Employees would have been paid had they remained employees of Sellers through the date the bonus in respect of the fiscal year ending February 2, 2019.
- (h) Buyer and Seller agree to cooperate in good faith to ensure that Transferred Employees do not experience a break in health coverage from and after the Closing Date. Buyer

shall take commercially reasonable efforts to provide or make available the health coverage required by Section 4980B of the Code available with respect to any individual who is an "M&A Qualified Beneficiary" (as defined in Treasury Regulation Section 54.49806-9 (Q&A 4) of the Code) as the result of the consummation of the Transactions.

- (i) From and after the Closing Date, subject in all respects to the limitations set forth in Section 2.3(k), Buyer shall, within thirty (30) days following written demand by the Seller, with such supporting documentation as the Buyer shall reasonably request, reimburse the Sellers for the payment of any cash severance or other cash separation pay, and Seller's portion of any related employment and payroll Taxes, made by any Seller to any employee of any Seller whose employment with any of the Sellers terminated following the Petition Date or terminates on, or following the Closing Date (it being understood that this does not include any Transferred Employees who shall have become the employees of Buyer and its Subsidiaries and shall be covered by Buyer's obligations as set forth in Section 9.7(b)), to the extent of the cash severance or other cash separation pay that has been paid on or following the Petition Date and prior to the Closing Date or would have been due and payable had such employee's employment been terminated by any of the Sellers immediately prior to the date hereof (the reimbursement Liabilities of Buyer set forth in this Section 9.7(i), including with respect to any related employment and payroll Taxes, the "Severance Reimbursement Obligations").
- Transferred Employees (and their dependents) under the employee welfare benefit plans of Sellers prior to the Closing. Buyer shall be liable for all medical, dental and health claims incurred by Transferred Employees (and their dependents) under the employee welfare benefit plans of Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries on or after the Closing. For purposes of this Section 9.7(j), a claim shall be deemed to have been incurred on the date on which the medical or other treatment or service was rendered and not the date of the inception of the related illness or injury or the date of submission of a claim related thereto; provided, that claims relating to a hospital confinement that begins on or before the Closing but continues thereafter shall be treated as incurred before the Closing. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, with respect to any Business Employee who becomes a Transferred Employee following the Closing, any reference in this Section 9.7(j) to the Closing will be deemed to be references to the date such Business Employee becomes a Transferred Employee.

(k) <u>U.S. Savings Plan</u>.

- (i) As soon as practicable following the Closing Date, Buyer shall, or shall cause its Subsidiaries to, establish a new savings plan or designate an existing savings plan qualified under Section 401(a) of the Code and including a cash or deferred feature under Section 401(k) of the Code and a related trust thereunder which shall be exempt under Section 501(a) of the Code ("Buyer's Savings Plan") that will permit participation by all Transferred Employees who are participating in Seller's or its Subsidiaries' 401(k) Plan ("Seller's Savings Plan") as of the Closing Date.
- (ii) No assets or liabilities of Seller's Savings Plan shall be transferred to Buyer's Savings Plan, other than in connection with a rollover of a Transferred Employee's

account balance under Seller's Savings Plan. Except as could reasonably be expected to cause the Buyer's Savings Plan to cease to qualify under Section 401(a) and 401(k) of the Code or cause the trust to cease to be qualified under Section 501(a) of the code or otherwise result in the Buyer or its Affiliates incurring any penalties thereunder, Buyer shall permit the Transferred Employees to roll over into Buyer's Savings Plan any rollover distribution (in cash or loan notes of any "eligible rollover distribution" (within the meaning of Section 402(c)(4) of the Code)). Effective as of the Closing, Seller shall and shall cause it Subsidiaries to take any action necessary to ensure that the accounts of each Transferred Employee in Seller's Savings Plan shall be fully vested and nonforfeitable.

- (l) The Parties acknowledge and agree that all provisions contained in this Section 9.7 are included for the sole benefit of the respective Parties and shall not create any right (i) in any other person, including any Business Employees, Transferred Employees, current or former employees of Seller, any participant in any Employee Plan or any compensation or benefit plan, program, agreement or arrangement of Buyer or its Subsidiaries or any beneficiary thereof or (ii) in any other person, to continued employment with Buyer or its Subsidiaries or particular compensation or benefits coverage in any compensation or benefit plan, program, agreement or arrangement of Buyer or its Subsidiaries. The provisions of this Section 9.7 shall not constitute an amendment to any Employee Plan or any plan, program, agreement or arrangement maintained by Buyer or any of its Subsidiaries.
- (m) Sellers and Buyer hereby agree to follow the "alternate procedure" for employment tax reporting as provided in Section 5 of Rev. Proc. 2004-53, 2004-34 I.R.B. 320 for each Transferred Employee and to cooperate with each other in furtherance thereof. Provided that Sellers provide Buyer with all necessary payroll records for the calendar year which includes the date on which the Transferred Employee commences employment with Buyer, Buyer, and not Sellers, shall furnish a Form W-2 to each Transferred Employee, disclosing all wages and other compensation paid for such calendar year, and taxes withheld therefrom.

Section 9.8 Owned Real Property.

- (a) Seller shall pay when due any and all Occupancy Expenses with respect to each Owned Real Property solely to the extent arising during the period commencing on the Petition Date through the Closing Date.
- (b) From the date hereof through the Closing Date, Seller shall use commercially reasonable efforts to maintain and preserve each Owned Real Property and all related Acquired Assets in a condition substantially similar to the their present condition. Prior to Closing, Seller shall not without Buyer's consent, and shall not solicit any other Person to, (A) sell, transfer, assign, convey, lease, license, mortgage, pledge or otherwise encumber any Owned Real Property or related Acquired Asset (other than sales of Inventory in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, Permitted Encumbrances and any applicable statutory liens (solely to the extent that such Owned Real Property or related Acquired Asset will be transferred free and clear of such statutory liens pursuant to the applicable transfer document)), (B) grant or terminate any other interests in any Owned Real Property or related Acquired Asset, (C) cancel or compromise any claim or waive or release any right, in each case that is related to any Owned Real Property or any

related Acquired Assets (for the avoidance of doubt, other than any Excluded Assets), (D) take any action with respect to Taxes or Tax matters that could reasonably be expected to result in an Encumbrance on any Owned Real Property or related Acquired Assets (other than Permitted Encumbrances) or (E) enter into any agreement or commitment to take any action prohibited by this Section 9.8(b).

From and after the date hereof through Closing, Sellers shall bear the risk of loss or damage to the Owned Real Property and Seller shall continue all insurance policies with respect to the Owned Real Property or policies providing substantially similar coverages to the extent available at commercially reasonable rates (and in all instances without any reductions in the amounts of available coverage), including comprehensive public liability, casualty and umbrella liability insurance, and shall cause Buyer to be named as a loss payee or additional insured, as applicable, with respect to all such policies. Seller shall pay to Buyer on the Closing Date all insurance recoveries and all warranty and condemnation proceeds received or receivable after the date hereof with respect to the Owned Real Property. In connection with any payment of recoveries or proceeds under this Section 9.8(c), (i) such payment of recoveries or proceeds shall not include any recoveries or proceeds to the extent attributable to lost rents or similar costs applicable to any period prior to the Closing or paid in connection with repair, restoration or replacement during such period, and (ii) to the extent that Buyer has received written notice thereof in reasonable detail not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the Closing, such payment of recoveries or proceeds shall be reduced by the amount of (x) all actual and documented, reasonable out of pocket repair costs incurred by Sellers in connection with the repair or restoration of such damage or destruction, (y) all actual and documented, reasonable out of pocket collection costs of Sellers respecting any awards or other proceeds, and (z) any amounts required to be paid (and solely to the extent actually paid) by Sellers or the insurance company to the applicable landlord under the Lease, if applicable, or to such landlord's lender as required pursuant to any of such lender's financing, as applicable.

Title Matters. Buyer, at its own discretion and sole expense, may order preliminary title reports from a nationally recognized title company (the "Title Company") with respect to any of the Leased Premises or Owned Real Property (the property covered by such reports being referred to herein as the "Titled Property"). Seller shall at no cost, expense or Liability to Seller, cooperate in good faith with Buyer and the Title Company in connection with the compilation of title to the Titled Property and in connection with any efforts by Buyer to obtain title insurance policies pursuant thereto on behalf of itself and/or its lender, including, in the case of any efforts by Buyer to obtain lender's title insurance policies on behalf of its lender, by providing reasonable affidavits and other similar instruments as are reasonably required by the Title Company for the deletion of any standard or printed exceptions in such lender's title insurance policies that are customarily deleted by virtue of a seller delivering such instruments in commercial real estate transactions in the state or province in which the Titled Property which is the subject of such lender's title insurance policy is located. Subject to the foregoing proviso, such cooperation by Seller and its Subsidiaries shall include providing Buyer and the Title Company copies of, with respect to Titled Property, reasonably requested existing surveys, maps, existing title reports and title insurance policies and true and complete copies of the encumbrance documents identified therein, to the extent the same are in the possession of Seller or its Subsidiaries and are not publicly available.

Section 9.10 <u>Use of Name</u>. Sellers agree that they shall (i) as soon as practicable after the Closing Date and in any event within six (6) months following the Closing Date, cease to make use of the Trademarks included in the Acquired Intellectual Property and change the Business Names of all of their applicable Affiliates to a Business Name that does not consist of, contain or incorporate any Trademarks included in the Acquired Intellectual Property, provided that as soon as practicable after the Closing Date and in any event within thirty (30) days following the Closing Date, Sellers shall cease to make use of the Trademarks included in the Acquired Intellectual Property in connection with the Business and (ii) as promptly as practicable after the Closing Date. file a motion with the Bankruptcy Court to amend the caption of the Bankruptcy Cases to reflect a change in the name of the Sellers in accordance with the foregoing clause (i) and (ii) immediately after the Closing, cease to hold themselves out as having any affiliation with the Acquired Assets. Sellers shall promptly deliver to Buyer any relevant documentation evidencing such name change. including any name change amendment and name change notice filed with or submitted to any Governmental Authority in each jurisdiction in which such Seller or Affiliates of Seller is qualified to do business. Nothing in this Section 9.10 shall prohibit Sellers' use of such Trademarks to the extent that such use (a) is required by Law to wind down Sellers' estate or (b) constitutes nominative or descriptive fair use under United States Laws, which refers to Sellers and would not cause confusion as to the origin of a good or service, including in accurately stating the historical relationship between Sellers and Buyer for information purposes (and in a non-Trademark manner) in historical, tax and similar records.

Section 9.11 <u>Apportionments</u>. All charges and fees payable for telephone services, water, sewer rents heat, steam, electric power, gas and other utilities, at the price charged by the suppliers, including any taxes thereon and based upon applicable meter readings, where available, made on or immediately prior to or immediately after the Closing Date (and credits therefor to the extent paid prior to the Closing Date) that relate to Owned Real Property shall be apportioned between Sellers, on the one hand, and Buyer, on the other hand, as of midnight on the Closing Date for the period that begins prior to the Closing Date and ends after the Closing Date.

Section 9.12 <u>Intercompany IP Agreement; Sublicenses.</u> As of the Closing Date, all Intercompany IP Agreements and all sublicenses to any Person thereunder, in each case that are not assigned to Buyer or assumed and assigned in accordance with this Agreement, shall be, and are hereby, automatically terminated. Sellers shall take all necessary actions to cause such licenses, grants or sublicenses that are not terminated by virtue of the foregoing sentence to be terminated at the Closing Date. The foregoing provision shall not affect any sublicenses under which neither any Seller nor any Affiliate of any Seller is the sublicensee, unless such sublicense is terminable without cause by a Seller pursuant to its terms.

Section 9.13 Settlement and Release.

(a) Effective upon the Closing, in exchange for the payment by Buyer of the Release Consideration and other good and valuable consideration provided to the Debtors and their estates by ESL in connection with the Transactions, each Debtor, for itself and its estate, and on behalf of each of its Subsidiaries and controlled Affiliates (each of the foregoing, a "Seller Releasing Party"), hereby absolutely, unconditionally and irrevocably (i) releases and forever discharges ESL from any and all Released Estate Claims, whether foreseen or unforeseen, contingent or actual,

and whether now known or hereafter discovered, which any of the Seller Releasing Parties ever had or now may have, and (ii) covenants that it shall not seek to disallow, subordinate, recharacterize, avoid, challenge, dispute or collaterally attack the ESL Claims, provided however that the assertion of any Claim other than a Released Estate Claim shall not be deemed to violate this Section 9.13(a)(ii).

- (b) Effective upon the Closing, ESL's Claims against the Debtors arising under (i) the IP/Ground Lease Term Loan Facility; (ii) the FILO Facility; (iii) the Real Estate Loan 2020; (iv) the Second Lien Term Loan; (v) the Second Lien Line of Credit Facility; (vi) the Second Lien PIK Notes and (vii) the Citi L/C Facility (together with the any security interests securing any of the Claims described in the preceding sub-clauses (c)(i)-(vi), collectively, the "ESL Claims") shall each be deemed allowed for all purposes in the Bankruptcy Cases and under the Bankruptcy Code in the amounts set forth on Exhibit G, as reduced by the credit bid set forth in Section 3.1(b).
- After giving effect to the credit bid set forth in Section 3.1(b), ESL shall be entitled to assert any deficiency Claims, Claims arising under Section 507(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, or other Claims and causes of action that it may have against the Debtors and their estates in the Chapter 11 Cases, provided that (i) no Claims or causes of action of ESL shall have recourse to. or any other right of recovery from, any Claims or causes of action of the Debtors or their estates related to Lands' End, Inc., the "spin-off" (as such term is defined in the Information Statement of Lands' End, Inc. dated March 18, 2014), Seritage Growth Properties, Inc., Seritage Growth Properties, L.P, the "Transaction" (as that term is defined in the registration statement on Form S-11 filed by Seritage Growth Properties, which registration statement became effective on June 9, 2015), any Claim or cause of action involving any intentional misconduct by ESL, or the proceeds of any of the foregoing, (ii) any ESL Claims arising under Section 507(b) of the Bankruptcy Code shall be entitled to distributions of not more than \$50 million from the proceeds of any Claims or causes of action of the Debtors or their estates other than the Claims and causes of action described in the preceding clause (c)(i); provided that, in the event that, in the absence of this clause (c)(ii), any such proceeds to the Debtors or their estates would have resulted in distributions in respect of such ESL Claims in excess of \$50 million, the right to receive such distributions in excess of \$50 million shall be treated as an unsecured claim and receive pro rata recoveries with general unsecured claims other than the Claims and causes of action described in the preceding clause (c)(i), and (iii) notwithstanding any order of the Bankruptcy Court to the contrary or section 1129 of the Bankruptcy Code, it shall not be a condition to confirmation of any chapter 11 plan filed in the Bankruptcy Cases that any ESL Claims arising under Section 507(b) of the Bankruptcy Code be paid in full or in part.
- (d) This Section 9.13, and all statements or negotiations relating hereto, shall be governed by Federal Rule of Evidence 408 and any corresponding state rules of evidence. Without limiting the foregoing, neither this Section 9.13 nor any statements or negotiations relating hereto shall be offered or received in evidence in any proceeding for any purpose other than to enforce the terms of this Section 9.13.
- (e) For the purposes of this <u>Section 9.13</u>, the terms set out below shall be defined as follows:

- (i) "<u>Debtors</u>" means each of the debtors and debtors in possession in the Bankruptcy Cases, including the Sellers.
- "Released Estate Claims" means any and all Claims and causes of action of the Debtors and their estates against ESL arising under (i) sections 363(k), 502(a) or 510(c) of the Bankruptcy Code, (ii) equitable principles of subordination or recharacterization, or (iii) any other applicable Law that could be asserted to challenge the allowance of the ESL Claims pursuant to section 9.13(c). For the avoidance of doubt the Released Estate Claims do not include any other Claims or causes of action of the Debtors or their estates against ESL or any other Person, including but not limited to any Claims or causes of action (i) for constructive or actual fraudulent transfer under 11 U.S.C. 544(b) or 550(a) or any applicable state or federal law, for breach of fiduciary duty (including any Claims for breach of fiduciary duty in connection with the incurrence of any debt described on Exhibit G), or for illegal dividend under 8 Del. C. 170-174 or any other state law; (ii) that are related to Lands' End, Inc., the "spin-off" (as such term is defined in the Information Statement of Lands' End, Inc. dated March 18, 2014), Seritage Growth Properties, Inc., Seritage Growth Properties, L.P, or the "Transaction" (as that term is defined in the registration statement on Form S-11 filed by Seritage Growth Properties, which registration statement became effective on June 9, 2015), or (iii) that have been asserted by or on behalf of any party in interest in the Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36 cases captioned In the Matter of a Plan of Compromise or Arrangement of Sears Canada Inc., 9370-2751 Quebec Inc., 191020 Canada Inc., The Cut Inc., Sears Contact Services Inc., Initium Logistics Services Inc., Initium Commerce Labs Inc., Initium Trading and Sourcing Corp., Sears Floor Covering Centers Inc., 173470 Canada Inc., 2497089 Ontario Inc., 6988741 Canada Inc., 10011711 Canada Inc., 1592580 Ontario Limited, 955041 Alberta Ltd., 4201531 Canada Inc., 168886 Canada Inc., and 3339611 Canada Inc., Ontario Superior Court of Justice Court File No.:. CV-17-11846-00CL.

Section 9.14 KCD IP Covenants.

(a) Commencing as of the date hereof (and, for the avoidance of doubt, continuing after the Closing Date), Sellers shall not, and shall cause all of their Affiliates (including KCD IP, LLC) not to, (i) sell, transfer, assign, encumber, allow to lapse, abandon, cancel, fail to renew, fail to continue to prosecute, protect or defend, or otherwise dispose of or convey, any KCD IP, (ii) license, sublicense or grant any Person (other than Buyer and its Affiliates) any rights to, as applicable, any KCD IP or (iii) amend, renew or terminate (or fail to exercise termination rights or option rights with respect to) any Contract pursuant to which any Seller or any of its Affiliates has granted, prior to the date hereof, any license, sublicense, covenant not to sue or other rights under any KCD IP, in each case of the foregoing without the prior written consent of Buyer in its sole discretion. Sellers shall not, and shall cause all of their Affiliates not to, sell, assign, or in any way transfer any equity interests in KCD IP, LLC without requiring as a condition of such sale, assignment or transfer that the purchaser of such equity interests agree to the limitations set forth in this Section 9.14, and any sale, assignment or transfer in violation of this Section 9.14 shall be null and void *ab initio*.

As soon as reasonably practicable after the date hereof and in any event prior to the (b) Closing Date, Sellers shall use reasonable best efforts to cause KCD IP, LLC to grant, effective as of the Closing, a perpetual, irrevocable (provided that, if Buyer commits a material breach of its obligations under the Exclusive License and KCD IP, LLC gives notice to Buyer specifying the basis for termination and Buyer fails to cure, resolve or remediate the basis for the breach within ninety (90) days after such notice is provided, KCD IP, LLC may convert the exclusive license granted under the Exclusive License to a non-exclusive license; and provided, further, that if Buyer fails to cure, resolve or remediate the basis for such material breach within one hundred twenty (120) days after such notice is provided, KCD IP, LLC may, upon notice to Buyer, suspend the license with respect to the uses that cause the material breach until such cure, resolution or remediation has been effected), worldwide, sublicensable (in connection with uses and sublicensees of the same type and scope as those for which sublicenses were granted by Sellers under the KCD IP prior to the date hereof and, subject to the consent of KCD IP, LLC, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed, in connection with other uses and sublicensees), transferable (A) in whole to an Affiliate of Buyer or (B) in connection with a sale of assets, properties, rights or businesses associated with the Kenmore Marks included in the KCD IP or with the DieHard Marks included in the KCD IP, provided that all of the rights and obligations under the applicable license grant are assigned, and provided further that such third party assumes in writing all of the applicable rights and responsibilities of Buyer under the Exclusive License) exclusive license (but subject to (i) any licenses under the KCD IP in effect as of the Closing Date and (ii) if the SHIP Closing shall have occurred prior to the Closing Date, the license to Service.com in the form of Exhibit E of the SHIP Purchase Agreement contemplated to be entered into in connection with the SHIP Purchase Agreement) to Buyer under all of the KCD IP used or held for use by Sellers as of the date hereof (including, for the avoidance of doubt, the Kenmore Marks and the DieHard Marks, in each case owned by KCD IP, LLC) for all purposes in connection with the Buyer's businesses (including the Business) and the natural evolutions thereof. The Exclusive License shall include the same quality control provisions as set forth in the Kenmore License Agreement, dated as of March 18, 2006, by and between KCD IP, LLC and KMART Corporation, as amended by that certain First Amendment to Kenmore License Agreement dated as of November 29, 2009 and that certain Second Amendment to Kenmore License Agreement dated as of March 7, 2012 and shall provide that KCD IP, LLC, as licensor, will continue to maintain its rights to enforce, maintain and defend the Intellectual Property licensed under the Exclusive License in the first instance; provided that Buyer shall have the right to independently enforce, maintain and defend the applicable KCD IP if the business or businesses of Buyer of its Affiliates would otherwise be materially adversely affected. The Exclusive License shall otherwise be in the form proposed by Buyer and any additional terms (other than the terms set forth above) must be reasonably acceptable to Sellers (Sellers' review and approval not to be unreasonably withheld, delayed or conditioned, provided that it shall not be unreasonable for Sellers to not accept any such additional terms that they reasonably consider render the license a sale, transfer or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of KCD IP, LLC). The Exclusive License shall be subject to royalties equal to those in effect as of the date hereof under (x) with respect to the Kenmore Marks, the Kenmore License Agreement, dated as of March 18. 2006, by and between KCD IP, LLC and KMART Corporation, as amended by that certain First Amendment to Kenmore License Agreement dated as of November 29, 2009 and that certain Second Amendment to Kenmore License Agreement dated as of March 7, 2012 and (v) with respect to the DieHard Marks, the DieHard License Agreement, dated as of March 18, 2006, by and between KCD IP, LLC and KMART Corporation, as amended by that certain First Amendment to DieHard License Agreement dated as of November 29, 2009 and that certain Second Amendment to DieHard License Agreement dated as of March 7, 2012, provided that the terms of the Exclusive License taken collectively shall not constitute a sale, transfer or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of KCD IP, LLC.

- (c) In the event that, despite Sellers' reasonable best efforts, KCD IP, LLC has not agreed to grant Buyer the Exclusive License effective as of the Closing Date by the date that is ten (10) days prior to the Closing, and provided that any such delay is not due to Buyer's acts or omissions, then at Buyer's election, Sellers shall, prior to the Closing, use reasonable best efforts to obtain any Consent from KCD IP, LLC necessary to assign to Buyer those KCD Agreements that are designated for assignment and assumption by written notice of Buyer pursuant to this Agreement, and assume and assign such KCD Agreements in accordance with this Agreement (such that such KCD Agreements are Assigned Agreements as contemplated herein).
- (d) In the event that, despite Sellers' reasonable best efforts, KCD IP, LLC's Consent described in the above clause (c) is not obtained by the date that is five (5) days prior to the Closing, and provided that any such delay is not due to Buyer's acts or omissions, then (i) Sellers shall, prior to the Closing, assume all KCD Agreements that provide Sellers with the right to sublicense KCD IP to Buyer that are designated only for assumption by written notice of Buyer and (ii) effective as of the Closing Date, Sellers hereby grant to Buyer, a perpetual, irrevocable, worldwide, royalty-bearing (as described in Section 9.14(b)), further sublicensable, transferable, nonexclusive sublicense under all of the KCD IP used or held for use by Sellers as of the date hereof (including, for the avoidance of doubt, the Kenmore Marks and the DieHard Marks, in each case owned by KCD IP, LLC) for all purposes in connection with the businesses of Buyer (including the Business) and the natural evolutions thereof, provided that to the extent Sellers cannot grant the foregoing, Sellers hereby grant to Buyer a non-exclusive sublicense of the broadest scope that Sellers can grant under all the KCD Agreements assumed by Sellers pursuant to this clause (d). For the purpose of this Section 9.14(d)(ii), any such sublicense granted to Buyer is subject to (x) any licenses under the KCD IP in effect as of the Closing Date and (y) if the SHIP Closing shall have occurred prior to the Closing, the license to Service.com in the form of Exhibit E of the SHIP Purchase Agreement contemplated to be entered into in connection with the SHIP Purchase Agreement), and shall be of the broadest scope that Sellers can grant under, and subject to the terms of the relevant KCD Agreement. Buyer shall ensure that its use of the KCD IP, as provided in this Section 9.14(d), shall only be with respect to goods and services of a substantially similar level of quality to the goods and services with respect to which Sellers used the KCD IP prior to the Closing. For the avoidance of doubt, (i) Sellers shall not reject, seek to terminate or agree to terminate the KCD Agreements assumed pursuant to this Section 9.14(d) or amend or agree to amend such Contracts in any manner that narrows any of the licenses thereunder and (ii) to the extent that Sellers cease to exist or the KCD Agreements assumed pursuant to this Section 9.14(d) expire or terminate, the sublicense granted herein shall survive.
- (e) Solely with respect to the Exclusive License or any sublicense granted pursuant to Section 9.14(d)(ii), Buyer agrees that (A) Sellers and their Affiliates (including KCD IP, LLC) shall have no responsibility for claims by third parties arising out of, or relating to, Buyer's use of

the KCD IP in any manner and (B) in addition to any and all remedies, from and after the Closing, Buyer shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless Sellers and their Affiliates (including KCD IP, LLC), for so long as any Seller or Affiliate of Seller is in existence, from and against any and all third party claims that may arise out of use of such KCD IP by or on behalf of Buyer or any of its Affiliates or assignees, in each case other than claims that the KCD IP infringes or otherwise violates the Intellectual Property of any third party. Except as provided in the foregoing sentence, all Intellectual Property licensed under Section 9.14(b) or Section 9.14(d)(ii) is licensed "as-is" with all faults, without warranty of any kind (whether express, implied, statutory or otherwise), and Seller does not make, and Buyer hereby specifically disclaims, any representations or warranties (whether express or implied, statutory or otherwise). For the avoidance of doubt, with respect to Section 9.14(c), the allocation of the foregoing shall be determined by the applicable KCD Agreements that are designated for assignment and assumption by written notice of Buyer pursuant to this Agreement.

(f) For clarity, and not in limitation of the foregoing, Buyer (or its applicable designee) may grant a security interest in any or all of its rights and benefits under <u>Section 9.14(b)</u>, <u>Section 9.14(c)</u> or <u>Section 9.14(d)</u> for collateral purposes to the Financing Sources in connection with the Debt Financing.

Section 9.15 <u>Seritage Master Lease</u>. Any assignment and assumption of Seritage Master Lease shall be an assignment and assumption of such Seritage Master Lease in its entirety, except as otherwise agreed by the landlord under the Seritage Master Lease.

ARTICLE X

CONDITIONS PRECEDENT TO THE OBLIGATION OF BUYER TO CLOSE

Buyer's obligation to consummate the Transactions is subject to the satisfaction or waiver, as of the Closing, of each of the following conditions; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that Buyer may not rely on the failure of any condition set forth in this <u>Article X</u> if such failure was caused by Buyer's failure to comply with any provision of this Agreement or if such failure was caused by any action or failure to act by Seller at the direction of any Buyer Related Party:

Section 10.1 Accuracy of Representations. The representations and warranties of Sellers contained in Article VI shall be true and correct as of the Closing Date as though made on and as of the Closing Date (except that those representations and warranties which address matters only as of a particular date need only be true and correct as of such date); provided, however, that the condition in this Section 10.1 shall be deemed to be satisfied so long as any failure of such representations and warranties to be true and correct (without giving effect to any limitation as to "materiality" or "Material Adverse Effect" set forth therein), individually or in the aggregate, has not had and would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. Buyer shall have received a certificate of Sellers, signed by a duly authorized officer of Sellers, to that effect.

Section 10.2 <u>Sellers' Performance</u>. Sellers shall have performed and complied with in all material respects the covenants and agreements that Sellers are required to perform or comply

with pursuant to this Agreement at or prior to the Closing, and Buyer shall have received a certificate of Sellers to such effect signed by a duly authorized officer thereof.

- Section 10.3 No Material Adverse Effect. Since the date of this Agreement, there shall not have been any Effect that, individually or in the aggregate, has had or could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.
- Section 10.4 <u>No Order</u>. No Governmental Authority shall have enacted, issued, promulgated or entered any Order which is in effect and has the effect of making illegal or otherwise prohibiting the consummation of the Transactions (a "<u>Closing Legal Impediment</u>").
- Section 10.5 <u>Governmental Authorizations</u>. Any applicable waiting period required by the HSR Act and any extensions thereof, or any timing agreements, understandings or commitments obtained by request or other action of the FTC and/or the Antitrust Division, as applicable, shall have expired or been terminated.
- Section 10.6 <u>Sellers' Deliveries</u>. Without limiting <u>Section 10.2</u>, each of the deliveries required to be made to Buyer pursuant to <u>Section 4.3</u> have been so delivered, except for such deliveries which, by their nature, cannot be made on or prior to the Closing.
- Section 10.7 <u>Approval Order</u>. The Bankruptcy Court shall have entered the Approval Order, and the Approval Order shall be in full force and effect and shall not have been stayed, vacated or modified.

Section 10.8 KCD IP.

- (a) Sellers shall have (i) caused KCD IP, LLC to grant the Exclusive License in accordance with Section 9.14(b), (ii) obtained any Consent of KCD IP, LLC required under Section 9.14(c) and assigned to Buyer as of the Closing Date all KCD Agreements referenced therein or (iii) assumed all KCD Agreements effective as of the Closing Date that provide Sellers with the right to sublicense KCD IP to Buyer that are designated only for assumption by written notice of Buyer in accordance with Section 9.14(d).
- (b) KCD IP, LLC shall not have voluntarily filed for bankruptcy under the Bankruptcy Code.
- Section 10.9 <u>Inventory and Receivables</u>. The aggregate amount of (i) the Inventory Value of the Acquired Inventory (excluding any Pending Inventory), (ii) the amounts due to Seller with respect to (A) the Credit Card Accounts Receivable and (iii) the Pharmacy Receivables shall be at least \$1,657,000,000. To the extent that the aggregate amount of items (i) through (iii) in the foregoing sentence exceeds \$1,657,000,000 on the Closing Date, Sellers may reduce such amount to be equal to \$1,657,000,000 by *first*, transferring (at Sellers' expense and in consultation with Buyer) Inventory that would otherwise be Acquired Inventory to a GOB Leased Store or a GOB Owned Store or any other location designated by Sellers that is not a Property, until the Inventory Value of the Acquired Inventory is equal to \$1,553,000,000 and *second*, retaining as an Excluded Asset the oldest of any Credit Card Accounts Receivable or Pharmacy Receivables.

Section 10.10 <u>Outstanding DIP Indebtedness</u>. The aggregate amount required to be paid to fully satisfy the existing indebtedness of Sellers under (a) the DIP Credit Agreement shall be no greater than \$850,000,000 and (b) the Junior DIP Term Loan shall be no greater than \$350,000,000 (exclusive of any accrued and unpaid interest thereon).

ARTICLE XI

CONDITIONS PRECEDENT TO THE OBLIGATION OF SELLERS TO CLOSE

Sellers' obligation to consummate the Transactions is subject to the satisfaction or waiver, as of the Closing, of each of the following conditions; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that Seller may not rely on the failure of any condition set forth in this <u>Article XI</u> if such failure was caused by Seller's failure to comply with any provision of this Agreement:

- Section 11.1 Accuracy of Representations. The representations and warranties of Buyer contained in Article VII shall be true and correct as of the Closing Date as though made on and as of the Closing Date (except that those representations and warranties which address matters only as of a particular date need only be true and correct as of such date); provided, however, that the condition in this Section 11.1 shall be deemed to be satisfied so long as any failure of such representations and warranties to be true and correct (without giving effect to any limitation as to "materiality" or "material adverse effect" set forth therein), individually or in the aggregate, has not had and would not reasonably be expected to prevent or materially impair the ability of Buyer to perform, or to consummate the Transactions. Sellers shall have received a certificate of Buyer, signed by a duly authorized officer of Buyer, to that effect.
- Section 11.2 <u>Buyer's Performance</u>. Buyer shall have performed and complied with in all material respects the covenants and agreements that Buyer is required to perform or comply with pursuant to this Agreement at or prior to the Closing, and Sellers shall have received a certificate of Buyer to such effect signed by a duly authorized officer thereof.
 - Section 11.3 No Order. No Closing Legal Impediment shall be in effect.
- Section 11.4 <u>Governmental Authorizations</u>. Any applicable waiting period required by the HSR Act and any extensions thereof, or any timing agreements, understandings or commitments obtained by request or other action of the FTC and/or the Antitrust Division, as applicable, shall have expired or been terminated.
- Section 11.5 <u>Buyer's Deliveries</u>. Each of the deliveries required to be made to Sellers pursuant to <u>Section 4.2</u> shall have been so delivered, except for such deliveries which, by their nature, cannot be made on or prior to the Closing.
- Section 11.6 <u>Bidding Procedures Order</u>. The Bankruptcy Court shall have entered the Bidding Procedures Order, and such Order shall not have been stayed, vacated or modified.
- Section 11.7 <u>Approval Order in Effect</u>. The Bankruptcy Court shall have entered the Approval Order and the Approval Order shall be in full force and effect and shall not have been stayed, vacated or modified.

Section 11.8 Pay-Down of Real Estate 2020 Loan. To the extent not previously provided, at least two (2) Business Days prior to the Closing Date, the Sellers shall provide to the agent under the Real Estate 2020 Loan all proceeds from the sale or other disposition of collateral pledged to secure the Real Estate 2020 Loan that were closed prior to the Closing Date, including, without limitation the proceeds held in a segregated account pursuant to paragraph 27 of the Order (I) Approving the Sale of Certain Real Property, (II) Authorizing the Assumption and Assignment of Certain Unexpired Leases in Connection therewith, and (III) Granting Related Relief [Docket No. 1393].

ARTICLE XII

TERMINATION

Section 12.1 <u>Termination Events</u>. Anything contained in this Agreement to the contrary notwithstanding, this Agreement may be terminated at any time prior to the Closing:

- (a) by either Sellers or Buyer:
- (i) if the Bankruptcy Court shall have determined that it will not enter the Approval Order or if a Governmental Authority of competent jurisdiction shall have enacted, issued, promulgated, enforced or entered any final and non-appealable applicable Law (including any Order) which is in effect and has the effect of making the Transactions illegal or otherwise restraining or prohibiting consummation of the Transactions and which is not satisfied, resolved or preempted by the Approval Order; provided, however, that the right to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this Section 12.1(a)(i) shall not be available to any Party whose material breach of any of its representations, warranties, covenants or agreements contained herein results in or causes such event;
- (ii) if the Closing shall not have occurred by 11:59 p.m. New York City time on February 19, 2019 (the "Outside Date"); provided, however, that the right to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this Section 12.1(a)(ii) shall not be available to any Party whose material breach of any of its representations, warranties, covenants or agreements contained herein results in the failure of the Closing to be consummated by such time;
- (iii) if Sellers accept or agree to any Competing Transaction or upon approval by the Bankruptcy Court of, or the filing by or on behalf of any Seller of a motion or other request to approve, a Competing Transaction; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that if Seller, pursuant to <u>Section 8.2(c)</u> and the Bidding Procedures Order, has designated Buyer as a "Back-Up Bidder," then Buyer shall not be permitted to terminate this Agreement prior to the Outside Date except as consistent with the terms of <u>Section 8.2(c)</u> and the Bidding Procedures Order; or
 - (iv) by mutual written consent of Sellers and Buyer.
- (b) by Buyer:

- (i) in the event of any breach by any Seller of any of its agreements, covenants, representations or warranties contained herein that would result in the failure of a condition set forth in Section 10.1 or Section 10.2 to be satisfied, and the failure of Sellers to cure such breach by the earlier of (A) the Outside Date and (B) the date that is fifteen (15) days after receipt of a notice in writing from Buyer of their intention to exercise their rights under this Section 12.1(b)(i) as a result of such breach; provided, however, that that the right to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this Section 12.1(b)(i) shall not be available to Buyer if Buyer is in breach of any of its representations, warranties, covenants or agreements contained herein in a manner that would result in the failure of a condition set forth in Article XI to be satisfied;
- (ii) if any of the Bankruptcy Cases is dismissed or converted to a case under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code;
- (iii) if the Bankruptcy Court has not approved the consummation of the Transactions on or before February 8, 2019, or if the Approval Order has not been entered on or before February 8, 2019 subject to Bankruptcy Court availability (or is vacated or stayed as of such date); or
- (iv) if Sears Re shall not have agreed to be bound by all of the terms of this Agreement as a Seller hereunder by delivering a signature page in the form attached hereto by 11:59 p.m. New York City time on January 22, 2019. For the avoidance of doubt, it is the intent of the Parties that this Agreement shall be binding on each of the Parties (other than Sears Re) notwithstanding that Sears Re has not yet delivered its signature page hereto.

(c) by Sellers:

- (i) in the event of any breach by Buyer of any of its agreements, covenants, representations or warranties contained herein that would result in the failure of a condition set forth in Section 11.1 or Section 11.2 to be satisfied, and the failure of Buyer to cure such breach by the earlier of (A) the Outside Date and (B) the date that is fifteen (15) days after receipt of a notice in writing from Sellers of their intention to exercise their rights under this Section 12.1(c)(i) as a result of such breach; provided, however, that that the right to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this Section 12.1(c)(i) shall not be available to Seller if Sellers are themselves in breach of any of their representations, warranties, covenants or agreements contained herein, in each case in a manner that results in the failure of a condition set forth in Article X to be satisfied;
- (ii) if the Bankruptcy Court has not approved the consummation of the Transactions on or before February 8, 2019, or if the Approval Order has not been entered on or before February 8, 2019 subject to Bankruptcy Court availability (or is vacated or stayed as of such date); or
- (iii) if (A) all of the conditions set forth in Article X have been satisfied (other than those conditions that by their nature are to be satisfied by actions taken at the Closing, but which would be satisfied if the Closing Date were the date of such termination, or

would have been satisfied, assuming the Closing had in fact occurred), (B) Buyer failed to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement by the time set forth in Section 4.1, (C) Sellers have irrevocably confirmed to Buyer in writing that all the conditions in Article XI have been satisfied (or that it is willing to waive any unsatisfied conditions set forth in Article XI) and that Sellers have indicated to Buyer in writing that Sellers are ready, willing and able to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, (D) Sellers have given Buyer written notice at least two (2) Business Days prior to such termination stating Sellers' intention to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this Section 12.1(c)(iii), and (E) Buyer fails to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement within such two (2) Business Day period.

Section 12.2 Effect of Termination.

- (a) Subject to the first sentence of Section 12.2(b), in the event of any termination of this Agreement pursuant to Section 12.1, this Agreement (other than the provisions set forth in this Section 12.2, Section 12.3 and Article XIII) shall forthwith become null and void and be deemed of no further force and effect. Subject to Section 12.2(b) and the provisions set forth in the immediately preceding sentence, there shall be no liability or obligation thereafter on the part of any Party. Notwithstanding the foregoing, subject to the second sentence of Section 12.2(b), any such termination shall not limit any Party's liability for any willful and material breach prior to the time of such termination. For purposes of this Agreement, "willful and material breach" means a material inaccuracy or breach of any material representation, warranty or covenant or other agreement set forth in this Agreement that is a consequence of an act or failure to act by or on behalf of the breaching Party with knowledge that the taking of such act or failure to take such act would, or would reasonably be expected to, result in a breach of this Agreement. In the event of any valid termination of this Agreement pursuant to Section 12.1 (other than a termination by Sellers pursuant to Section 12.1(c)(i) or Section 12.1(c)(iii)), Sellers shall promptly (and in no event later than two (2) Business Days following such termination) return to Buyer the Deposit Amount and any other deposit delivered by Buyer to Sellers pursuant to the Bidding Procedures Order. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, the maximum liability of the Seller and its Subsidiaries under this Agreement shall not exceed \$30,000,000 (except in the case of a willful and material breach, in which event such maximum liability shall not exceed \$120,000,000).
- (b) In the event of any valid termination of this Agreement by Sellers pursuant to Section 12.1(c)(i) or Section 12.1(c)(iii), then Sellers, as Sellers' sole and exclusive remedy as a result of such termination, shall have the right to retain the Deposit Amount, if any. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, the maximum liability of Buyer under this Agreement shall not exceed the Deposit Amount.

Section 12.3 <u>Termination and Adjustment Rights of Buyer as to Properties and Related Acquired Assets.</u>

(a) If a material portion of any Lease Premises, a material portion of any Owned Real Property, or a material portion of the Potential Acquired Assets related to the Lease Premises is materially damaged or destroyed, or the physical condition thereof is materially and adversely

changed (including as a result of failure of proper repair or maintenance or environmental contamination that occurs from and after the date hereof), or any Lease Premises or Owned Real Property is subject to a condemnation or other governmental taking of a material portion thereof or any shopping center in which a Lease Premises is located is damaged, destroyed or condemned such that the operations of such Lease Premises are materially and adversely affected at any time from the date of this Agreement up to and including the Closing (each of the foregoing, a "Casualty / Condemnation Event"), Sellers shall provide prompt written notice of such Casualty / Condemnation Event to Buyer. Buyer shall elect within ten (10) days after notice of such Casualty / Condemnation Event from Sellers, together with Sellers' best estimate of the net amount of insurance proceeds and/or condemnation award available to Buyer pursuant to Section 12.3(b) (including any deductions pursuant to Section 12.3(b)), to either (A) in the case of a Lease Premises, acquire Designation Rights with respect to such Lease Premises at the Closing or, in the case of Owned Real Property, acquire such Owned Real Property at the Closing and, in either case, Sellers shall assign to Buyer any right Sellers have to any insurance proceeds or condemnation award or proceeds relating to such Casualty/Condemnation Event at the Closing (including any insurance proceeds actually received by Sellers with respect to such Casualty/Condemnation Event, but less, as provided in Section 5.1(a)(v), (x) any amounts used by any Seller for restoration. repair or replacement and (y) any recoveries or proceeds to the extent attributable to lost rents or similar costs applicable to any period prior to the Closing) or (B) in the case of a Lease Premises, decline to acquire Designation Rights with respect to such Lease Premises or, in the case of Owned Real Property, decline to acquire such Owned Real Property, in which case the Purchase Price shall not be reduced (but, in the case of Owned Real Property, Seller shall assign to Buyer any right Sellers have to any insurance proceeds or condemnation award relating to any such Casualty/Condemnation Event at Closing). For the avoidance of doubt, Casualty / Condemnation Events that are subject to this Section 12.3(a) are only those occurring during the period from the date of this Agreement up to and including the Closing. Additionally, in the case of any Owned Real Property or Leased Real Property with respect to which a claim for damages to buildings or fixtures is pending as of the date of this Agreement, Sellers shall assign to Buyer any right Sellers have to any insurance proceeds relating to such claim and any amounts actually received in respect of such claim, other than any insurance proceeds in respect of the Acquired Assets set forth on Schedule 2.1(q) in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$13,000,000, and the Purchase Price shall not be reduced.

(b) In connection with any assignment of awards, proceeds or insurance under this Section 12.3, (i) such assignment of proceeds or awards shall not include any awards, proceeds or insurance to the extent attributable to lost rents or similar costs applicable to any period prior to the applicable Closing or paid in connection with repair, restoration or replacement during such period, and (ii) to the extent that Buyer has received written notice thereof in reasonable detail not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the Closing, such assignment of proceeds or awards shall be reduced by the amount of (x) all actual and documented, reasonable out-of-pocket repair costs incurred by Sellers in connection with the repair or restoration of such damage or destruction, (y) all actual and documented, reasonable out-of-pocket collection costs of Sellers respecting any awards or other proceeds, and (z) any amounts required to be paid (and solely to the extent actually paid) by Sellers or the insurance company to the applicable landlord under the Lease, if applicable, or to such landlord's lender as required pursuant to any of such lender's financing, as applicable.

Rights with respect to any Lease and related Potential Acquired Assets or (ii) any Acquired Assets, in each case if and only if any Consent from any Person (other than a Governmental Authority) has not been obtained from such Person or has not otherwise been provided for pursuant to the Approval Order, the absence of which prevents the acquisition or exercise of the Designation Rights with respect to such Lease and related Potential Acquired Assets or the acquisition of such Acquired Assets; provided, that if the failure to obtain such Consent is curable, Sellers shall have until the earlier of (i) the Closing Date or (ii) ten (10) days after receipt of Buyer's notice of intent to terminate to obtain such Consent; and provided, (c) further that, for the avoidance of doubt, the provisions of this Section 12.3(d) shall not apply with respect to any license (incoming or outgoing) of any Intellectual Property.

ARTICLE XIII

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 13.1 <u>Public Announcements</u>. Except as required by applicable Law (including any Order by the Bankruptcy Court) or pursuant to filings by Sellers with, or in any proceeding before, the Bankruptcy Court, neither Sellers nor Buyer shall issue any press release, or make any public announcement concerning this Agreement or the Transactions, without first consulting the other Party or Parties.

Section 13.2 Notices. Any notice, consent or other communication required or permitted under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be delivered (a) in person, (b) via e-mail or (c) by a nationally recognized courier for overnight delivery service. A notice or communication shall be deemed to have been effectively given (i) if in person, upon personal delivery to the Party to whom the notice is directed, (ii) if via e-mail, on the date of successful transmission and (iii) if by nationally recognized courier, one Business Day after delivery to such courier. Rejection or other refusal to accept or inability to deliver because of changed address of which no notice has been received shall also constitute receipt. Any such notice, election, demand, request or response shall be addressed as follows:

If to Sellers, then to: Sears Holdings Corporation 3333 Beverly Road Hoffman Estates, IL 60179 Attention: General Counsel E-mail: counsel@searshc.com

with a copy (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP
767 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10153
Attention: Ray C. Schrock, P.C., Ellen J. Odoner, Gavin Westerman and Sunny
Singh

E-mail: Ray.Schrock@weil.com; Ellen.Odoner@weil.com; Gavin.Westerman@weil.com; Sunny.Singh@weil.com

If to Buyer, then to:
Transform Holdco LLC
c/o ESL Partners, Inc..
1170 Kane Concourse, Suite 200
Bay Harbor Islands, FL 33154
Attention: Kunal S. Kamlani and Harold Talisman

Facsimile: (305) 864-1370

E-mail: kunal@eslinvest.com; harold@eslinvest.com

with a copy (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP One Liberty Plaza New York, NY 10006

Attention: Christopher E. Austin, Benet J. O'Reilly and Sean A. O'Neal E-mail: caustin@cgsh.com; boreilly@cgsh.com; soneal@cgsh.com

Section 13.3 Amendment; Waiver. No amendment, modification or discharge of this Agreement, and no waiver hereunder, shall be valid or binding unless set forth in writing and duly executed by each Party; provided that this Section 13.3, Section 13.6, Section 13.8, Section 13.10 or Section 13.12, in each case as such Sections relate to the Financing Sources, may not be amended in a manner adverse to the Financing Sources without the prior written consent of the applicable Financing Source under the applicable Debt Commitment Letter. Any such waiver shall constitute a waiver only with respect to the specific matter described in such writing and shall in no way impair the rights of the Party granting such waiver in any other respect or at any other time. Neither the waiver by any of the Parties of a breach of or a default under any of the provisions of this Agreement, nor the failure by any of the Parties, on one or more occasions, to enforce any of the provisions of this Agreement or to exercise any right or privilege hereunder shall be construed as a waiver of any other breach or default of a similar nature, or as a waiver of any of such provisions, rights or privileges hereunder. No course of dealing between or among the Parties shall be deemed effective to modify, amend or discharge any part of this Agreement or any rights to payment of any Party under or by reason of this Agreement.

Section 13.4 Entire Agreement. This Agreement (including the Schedules and the Exhibits), the Confidentiality Agreement and the other Transaction Documents contain all of the terms, conditions and representations and warranties agreed to by the Parties relating to the subject matter of this Agreement and supersede all prior and contemporaneous agreements, understandings, negotiations, correspondence, undertakings and communications of the Parties or their representatives, oral or written, respecting such subject matter. The representations, warranties, covenants and agreements contained in this Agreement (including the Schedules and the Exhibits) and the other Transaction Documents are intended, among other things, to allocate the economic cost and the risks inherent in the Transactions, including risks associated with matters as to which the party making such representations and warranties has no knowledge or

only incomplete knowledge, and such representations and warranties may be qualified by disclosures contained in the Schedules. Consequently, Persons other than the Parties may not rely upon the representations and warranties in this Agreement as characterizations of actual facts or circumstances as of the date of this Agreement or as of any other date.

Section 13.5 No Presumption as to Drafting. Each of the Parties acknowledges that it has been represented by legal counsel in connection with this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents and the Transactions. Accordingly, any rule of law or any legal decision that would require interpretation of any claimed ambiguities in this Agreement or the Transaction Documents against the drafting party has no application and is expressly waived.

Section 13.6 <u>Assignment</u>. Subject to Buyer's express rights of assignment with respect to any Assignee, this Agreement, and the rights, interests and obligations hereunder, shall not be assigned by any Party by operation of Law or otherwise without the express written consent of the other Parties (which consent maybe granted or withheld in the sole discretion of such other Party); provided, however, that Buyer shall be permitted, upon prior notice to Sellers but without consent of Sellers, to assign all or any part of its rights or obligations hereunder to an Affiliate (an "Affiliated Designee"); provided that such assignment would not reasonably be expected to prevent or materially impair or delay the consummation of the Transactions or otherwise be materially adverse to Sellers; provided further Buyer shall be permitted to, at or after the Closing, collaterally assign its rights under this Agreement for purposes of creating a security interest or otherwise assigning collateral to the Financing Sources in connection with the Debt Financing; provided further that that no such assignment shall relieve Buyer of any of its obligations under this Agreement.

Section 13.7 <u>Severability</u>. The provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed severable, and the invalidity or unenforceability of any provision shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the other provisions hereof. If any provision of this Agreement, or the application thereof to any Person or any circumstance, is invalid or unenforceable, (a) a suitable and equitable provision shall be substituted therefor in order to carry out, so far as may be valid and enforceable, the intent and purpose of such invalid or unenforceable provision and (b) the remainder of this Agreement and the application of such provision to other Persons or circumstances shall not be affected by such invalidity or unenforceability.

Section 13.8 Governing Law; Consent to Jurisdiction and Venue; Jury Trial Waiver.

(a) Except to the extent the mandatory provisions of the Bankruptcy Code apply, this Agreement and all claims or causes of action (whether in contract or in tort, in law or in equity or granted by statute) that may be based upon, arise out of or relate to this Agreement or the negotiation, execution or performance of this Agreement (including any claim or cause of action based upon, arising out of or related to any representation or warranty made in or in connection with this Agreement or as an inducement to enter into this Agreement) shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the procedural and substantive laws of the State of Delaware applicable to Contracts made and to be performed entirely in such state without regard to principles of conflicts or choice of laws or any other Law that would make the laws of any other jurisdiction other than the State of Delaware applicable hereto. Notwithstanding anything herein to the

contrary, all claims or causes of action (whether in contract or tort) brought against the Financing Sources that may be based upon, arise out of or relate to this Agreement or the negotiation, execution or performance of this Agreement (including any claim or cause of action based upon, arising out of or related to any representation or warranty made in or in connection with this Agreement), including any dispute arising out of or relating in any way to the Financing or the performance thereof or the transactions contemplated thereby, shall be governed by the Laws of the State of New York, without giving effect to any choice of law or conflict of law rules or provisions (whether of the State of New York or any other jurisdiction) that would cause the application of the Laws of any jurisdiction other than the State of New York.

Without limitation of any Party's right to appeal any Order of the Bankruptcy Court, (i) the Bankruptcy Court shall retain exclusive jurisdiction to enforce the terms of this Agreement and to decide any claims or disputes which may be based upon, arise out of or relate to this Agreement, any breach or default hereunder, or the Transactions and (ii) any and all claims relating to the foregoing shall be filed and maintained only in the Bankruptcy Court, and the Parties hereby consent and submit to the exclusive jurisdiction and venue of the Bankruptcy Court and irrevocably waive the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of any such Proceeding; provided, however, that, if the Bankruptcy Case is closed, all Proceedings based upon, arising out of or relating to this Agreement shall be heard and determined in the Delaware Court of Chancery and any state appellate court therefrom within the State of Delaware (or in the event (but only in the event) that such court does not have subject matter jurisdiction over such Proceeding in the United States District Court for the District of Delaware and any federal appellate court therefrom, and the Parties hereby (a) irrevocably and unconditionally submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Delaware Court of Chancery and any state appellate court therefrom within the State of Delaware (or in the event (but only in the event) that such court does not have subject matter jurisdiction over such Proceeding in the United States District Court for the District of Delaware and any federal appellate court therefrom) with respect to all Proceedings based upon, arising out of or relating to this Agreement and the Transactions (whether in contract or in tort, in law or in equity or granted by statute); (b) agree that all claims with respect to any such Proceeding shall be heard and determined in such courts and agrees not to commence any Proceeding relating to this Agreement or the Transactions (whether in contract or in tort, in law or in equity or granted by statute) except in such courts; (c) irrevocably and unconditionally waive any objection to the laying of venue of any Proceeding based upon, arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the Transactions and irrevocably and unconditionally waives the defense of an inconvenient forum; and (d) agree that a final judgment in any such Proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by Law. The Parties agree that any violation of this Section 13.8(b) shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement and shall constitute irreparable harm. The parties hereto agree that a final judgment in any such action or proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in any other jurisdiction by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by applicable Law. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, each of the Parties agrees that it will not bring or support any person in any Proceeding of any kind or description, whether in law or in equity, whether in contract or in tort or otherwise, against any of the Financing Sources in any way relating to this Agreement or any of the transaction contemplated by this Agreement, including any dispute arising out of or relating in any way to the Debt Commitment Letter or the performance thereof or the financings contemplated thereby, in any forum other than the federal and New York state courts

located in the Borough of Manhattan within the City of New York and any appellate courts therefrom.

BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY PROCEEDING DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY BASED UPON, ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY (WHETHER IN CONTRACT OR IN TORT, IN LAW OR IN EQUITY OR GRANTED BY STATUTE). EACH PARTY (A) CERTIFIES THAT NO REPRESENTATIVE, AGENT OR ATTORNEY OF ANY OTHER PARTY HAS REPRESENTED, EXPRESSLY OR OTHERWISE, THAT SUCH OTHER PARTY WOULD NOT, IN THE EVENT OF LITIGATION, SEEK TO ENFORCE THE FOREGOING WAIVER AND (B) ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT AND THE OTHER PARTY HAVE BEEN INDUCED TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT BY, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE MUTUAL WAIVERS AND CERTIFICATIONS IN THIS SECTION 13.8.

Section 13.9 <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts (including via electronic transmission in portable document format (pdf)) with the same effect as if the signatures to each counterpart were upon a single instrument, and all such counterparts together shall be deemed an original of this Agreement. This Agreement shall become effective when, and only when, each Party shall have received a counterpart hereof signed by the other Party. Delivery of an executed counterpart hereof by means of electronic transmission in portable document format (pdf) shall have the same effect as delivery of a physically executed counterpart in person.

Section 13.10 <u>Parties in Interest; No Third Party Beneficiaries</u>. Except as set forth in <u>Section 13.12</u>, nothing in this Agreement shall confer any rights, benefits, remedies, obligations, liabilities or claims hereunder upon any Person not a Party or a permitted assignee of a Party; provided that the Financing Sources are intended third party beneficiaries of this <u>Section 13.10</u>, Section 13.6, Section 13.8 and Section 13.12.

Section 13.11 <u>Fees and Expenses</u>. The Parties agree that, except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement, each Party shall bear and pay all costs, fees and expenses that it incurs, or which may be incurred on its behalf, in connection with this Agreement and the Transactions. The pre-Closing costs of any privacy ombudsman shall be borne equally between Buyer, on the one hand, and Sellers, on the other hand, to the extent such costs are incurred in relation to the Transactions.

Section 13.12 <u>Non-Recourse</u>. All Claims and Liabilities that may be based upon, in respect of, arise under, out or by reason of, be connected with or relate in any manner to this Agreement, the negotiation, execution or performance of this Agreement (including any representation or warranty made in connection with or as an inducement to this Agreement) or the Transactions may be made only against (and are those solely of) the Persons that are expressly identified as Parties to this Agreement. No other Person, including any Buyer Related Party (other than Buyer) or any of the Parties' Affiliates, directors, officers, employees, incorporators, members, partners, managers, stockholders, agents, attorneys, or representatives of, or any

financial advisors or lenders to (including the Financing Sources in their capacities as such), any of the foregoing (together, the "Non-Recourse Parties") shall have any liabilities for any Claims or Liabilities arising under, out of, in connection with, or related in any manner to, this Agreement, the Transactions or the Debt Financing or based on, in respect of, or by reason of, this Agreement or its negotiation, execution, performance or breach, whether at law, in equity, in contract, in tort or otherwise.

Section 13.13 <u>Schedules: Materiality</u>. The inclusion of any matter in any Schedule shall be deemed to be an inclusion for all purposes of this Agreement, to the extent that the relevance of such disclosure to any Section is readily apparent from the text of such disclosure, but inclusion therein shall not be deemed to constitute an admission, or otherwise imply, that any such matter is material or creates a measure for materiality for purposes of this Agreement. The disclosure of any particular fact or item in any Schedule shall not be deemed an admission as to whether the fact or item is "material" or would constitute a "Material Adverse Effect."

Section 13.14 <u>Specific Performance</u>. The Parties acknowledge and agree that (a) irreparable injury, for which monetary damages, even if available, would not be an adequate remedy, will occur in the event that any of the provisions of this Agreement are not performed in accordance with the specific terms hereof or are otherwise breached, and (b) the non-breaching Party or Parties shall therefore be entitled, in addition to any other remedies that may be available, to obtain (without the posting of any bond) specific performance of the terms of this Agreement by the breaching Party or Parties. If any Proceeding is brought by the non-breaching Party or Parties to enforce this Agreement, the Party in breach shall waive the defense that there is an adequate remedy at Law.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be executed and delivered by their duly authorized representatives, all as of the Effective Date.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Sears Reinsurance Company Ltd., a Bermuda Class 3 insurer, has caused this Agreement to be executed and delivered by its duly authorized representatives, and hereby agrees to be bound by all of the terms of this Agreement as a Seller hereunder.

By:	
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	Its duly authorized officer

Sears Reinsurance Company Ltd.

Exhibit E

Auction Attendance Sheets

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